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Briefly

Christmas service at Venice church

New Salem Missionary Baptist Church, 1349 Klein St., Venice, will hold a special Christmas Day service at 6 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 26.

The Rev. Lucius Lawrence, associate minister, will be the guest speaker.

The church will hold a special New Year's Eve watch service at 10 p.m. Friday, Dec. 31. Youth of the church will be in charge of the New Year's Eve service.

The Rev. John Henry Williams, New Salem pastor, said everyone in the community will be welcome at all of New Salem's services.

Class to begin

The Granite City Park District will offer a new session of Slimettes at the Harold Brown Recreation Center.

The classes will be held each Monday and Wednesday from 7 to 9 p.m. The instructor will be Debbie Wiehardt.

Registration will be held beginning Jan. 4 at 9 a.m. in the Wilson Park office. The classes will start Jan. 10.

Fees are \$10 for Park District residents and \$20 for non-residents. Enrollment is limited and taken on a first-come, first-served basis.

Honored by Y

Mary Whitehead, a clerk/stenographer from Granite City, is among four Union Electric Co. employees honored by the YWCA of Metropolitan St. Louis at a "leader lunch" at the Hyatt Regency. The annual event recognizes working women at all levels in all fields.

"Certificate of leadership" went to women at St. Louis-based corporations. They were nominated by their employers for outstanding work performance and community service.

Food at church

Free "meals from the heart" will be provided from 4 to 6 p.m. today at Mount Zion Baptist Church, 2827 Mockingbird Lane.

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Fred Flaughter Sr.
Bertha Hall
Clarence Hoffman
Eula Lacewell

75 years ago

Dec. 24, 1918
Major C.C. Ellison, formerly a practicing attorney in Granite City, has returned after one year and eight months service in the United States Army. He will resume practice after the holiday season.

Trivia

Who was the speaker at the Washington Air-dome in Granite City on Oct. 9, 1912?

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Madison levy may force layoffs

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

After a bitter fight Tuesday night, it appears that the rise in city property taxes in Madison, while still significant, will be less than expected.

The aldermen voted down a proposed \$546,395 amended levy for 1993, which would have resulted in an approximate tax rate of \$3.52 per \$100 of assessed valuation, and approved a \$453,004 levy — resulting in an approximate tax rate of \$2.92 per \$100.

Mayor John Bellico, however, said he may veto the levy ordinance.

At issue were six new taxes totaling \$93,391 — for general use, audit, street

"This time, it won't just be the street department cut back. Every department is going to be cut."

— Mayor John Bellico
threatens veto

lighting, school crossing guards, public benefits and fire protection — that the city did not levy last year.

Alderman Ron Gryzwacz said the new taxes were discussed and agreed upon by all of the aldermen except one in a series

of meetings attended by all of the aldermen.

He asked why, when it came to a vote, there was a sudden change of heart.

Alderman John Hamm said, "From the very beginning, I said I would support



these (new taxes) only if the city put together a plan to start saving money. To my knowledge, the city has put together no such plan, so I cannot vote for this."

Bellico said the reduced levy will result in cutbacks to city services and in the layoff of city employees.

Four street department employees were laid off last December but returned to work this fall.

"This time, it won't just be the street department cut back," Bellico said. "Every department is going to be cut."

Bellico said the levy as proposed was "the minimum" needed to keep the city operating and he was seriously considering vetoing the amended levy ordinance.

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City OKs lead pile removal

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Granite City is willing to grant the U.S. EPA access to city easements to allow the agency to remove lead contamination from soil.

But the city is willing to grant access only to property with lead concentrations of 1,000 parts per million or more, and only after the Environmental Protection Agency does something with a 290,000-ton lead waste pile in the city.

As part of a \$35 million Superfund cleanup of lead contamination here, the EPA has begun removing contaminated soil from residential areas with high levels of lead concentration whose owners have granted the agency access to their property.

But Alderman Craig Tarpoif, chairman of the citizen advisory committee for the project, says the EPA is putting the cart before the horse and the agency should address the waste pile before cleaning up contamination in yards.

"All over the country, the EPA is under pressure to do something. My impression is they are trying to take some kind of action so they can say they are doing something."

"But what EPA is doing here is helter-skelter and poorly planned," he said.

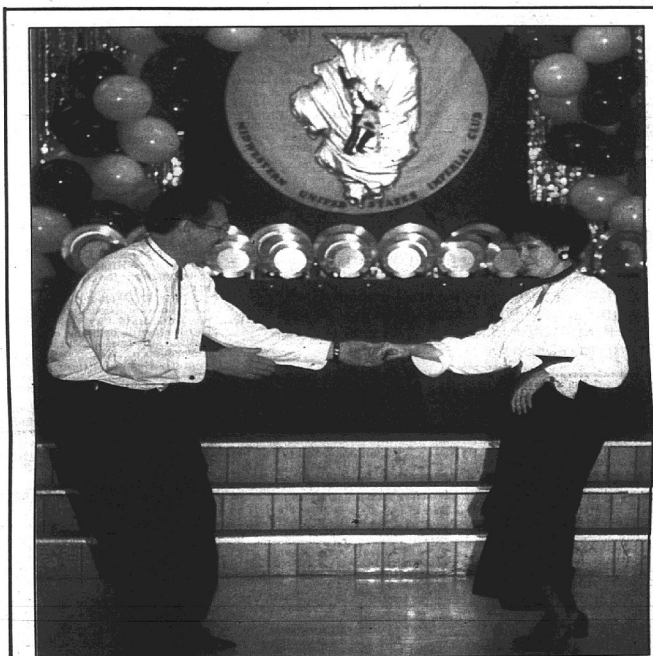
Tarpoif noticed two weeks ago that EPA crews were removing soil from areas between sidewalks and curbs and something which technically belongs to the city. Tarpoif reminded the workers that the city had not yet granted EPA access to any of its property.

In a Dec. 16 letter from Brad Bradley, remedial-project manager for the cleanup, the agency asked for access to city easements in order to remove contaminated soil there.

But the City Council, at the urging of Tarpoif, voted unanimously Tuesday to grant access only to areas with contamination levels above 1,000 parts per million and only after something is done about the 290,000-ton lead waste pile at the 15th and State streets.

The Tarpoif Record of Decision (ROD) — the legal document establishing the scope and method for the Superfund cleanup — calls for removal of the top six inches of soil with lead levels of 500 parts per million or more.

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(Photo by MARK BONERAKE)

Dance contest — Rich Wrigley of Collinsville and Vicki Hogan of Granite City compete in a recent Midwest U.S. Imperial Club Dance Contest at the American Legion Hall in Collinsville. See Page 5A for story and more photos.

Teens face added liquor penalty

By Shay Wessol
Staff writer

State officials will up the ante for underage drivers who bet on carrying alcohol or drink while driving without getting caught.

A state law which goes into effect Jan. 1 will seize the licenses of drivers under 21 who carry open containers of alcohol in their cars.

First offenders will receive a

mandatory 12-month suspension of their licenses, and a second offense will result in an indefinite revocation of licenses, said Madison County State's Attorney Bill Haine.

"The cost of a good time with alcohol is going up," Haine said. "It's not that we're making life difficult for teen-agers. We just want to remind them that they have a responsibility to obey the law."

"I expect that our drivers who

are teen-agers will respect the law," he added. "We love them all, and we want them to be around to collect their Social Security."

Now, illegal transportation of open containers of alcohol is considered a moving violation, punishable by points against licenses, as are other traffic tickets. Haine said a suspension is automatically lifted after the 12-month period when the driver

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Laid-off workers to be paid

Board denies retroactive raises for others

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Seven laid-off employees of the Granite City Township assessor will finally receive separation pay for their accumulated sick time and compensatory time, more than two months after they lost their jobs.

The Township Board voted 14-1 Tuesday night to pay the seven employees a total of about \$48,000 in back pay for their remaining outstanding accumulated sick time and compensatory time.

The vote came after the trustees received a preliminary report from the town auditor confirming that most of the figures submitted for payment are correct.

The layoffs earlier this year were ordered by Assessor Darlene Laub after the Town Board cut her budget substantially.

Before this week's vote, the seven received payment for accumulated compensatory time in excess of 480 hours each — the maximum allowed by law.

Many of the trustees — like Casmer Skubish, who cast the lone vote not to pay the remaining benefits — said they felt the accrued sick time and overtime were excessive.

But Trustee Sandy Crites said that withholding the pay would be "punishing the wrong person."

Skubish called his vote "a matter of principle."

"We had no prior knowledge of this comp time. It is not fair to the Town Board and it is not fair



Laub

to the taxpayer ... This is ultra-abusive and I've never seen anything like it in my life," Skubish said.

Crites asserted the accumulation of the benefits was "abusive" and "gross mismanagement" of the part of the assessor — not her employees, who were doing the job they were instructed to do.

Assessor Jim Miller agreed with Crites' assessment.

"I don't like this any more than Mr. Skubish. Had the trustees been aware this (comp time) policy was in place, we wouldn't have condoned it," Miller said.

"But subordinates do not set policy. This has continued to fester long enough," Miller said.

Assessor Laub laid off seven of her nine full-time employees Oct. 1 because the Town Board cut her budget request by

(See RAISES, Page 6A)

Kids and guns

9-year-old boy and girl caught with weapons

Call it a sign of the times.

Area police are investigating two incidences this week in which youngsters — a nine-year-old boy and a 14-year-old girl — were discovered in possession of firearms.

Madison police said they took a loaded and cocked automatic pistol from the locker of a fourth-grade student at Harris Elementary School on Tuesday afternoon.

L.P. Paul Bargar said police were called to the school at 2:30 p.m. by Principal Dave Becherer after Becherer was told by several students that a nine-year-old boy had brandished a pistol at school.

Bargar said the boy was searched by police and, when no weapon was found, police searched his locker.

He said police found a .38-caliber automatic pistol loaded with two bullets — one in the chamber and one in the clip — in a gym bag in the locker.

"The gun was cocked when it was found," Bargar said. "It was ready to go."

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Speed is of the essence in finding missing children

Statistically, about 85 percent of the many children reported missing in the United States each year return safely, said Granite City Patrolman Mike Sparks.

But that's not a statistic to be left to chance," he said. "In any missing child case, fast action by parents and law enforcement is critical. Parents can do a number of specific things to aid the authorities' investigation," Sparks said.

Among the steps parents can take in the event their child is missing:

- Stay calm. Think about where the child might be or could have gone.
- Call police and start procedures immediately. Make sure that police enter the information into the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) computer.
- Look for clues at home. Notes, letters and missing clothing in a child's room can be good clues. Check telephone bills for unfamiliar long-distance numbers the child may have called. Request a duplicate bill if necessary.
- Look for clues in the neighborhood. Ask the mail carrier, local storekeepers, building employees — anyone who might have seen the child on the street. Check arcades and other locations children are known to frequent. Inform hospitals, drug treatment centers, and children's shelters that you are looking for a child.
- Look for clues at school;

home, convey the message to friends, relatives and other contacts that, above all, you love your child and want him or her to return home safely.

• If the child calls, communicate love and concern for the child's safety rather than fear and anger about the past.

• Publicize the child's disappearance by fliers containing a recent photograph, if possible, and including a description that lists the child's height, weight, sex, age, eye and hair color, any identifying marks, scars, and details of clothing and jewelry worn when last seen. The flier should include your name and telephone number or those of law enforcement agencies that may be contacted if the child is seen. Post the fliers in store windows, at shopping malls, anywhere that a large number of people may see them. Employ local news agencies' assistance with television, radio and local newspapers.

• If you employ a private investigator, check references carefully with licensing agencies, the Better Business Bureau and the Attorney General's Office.

• Agencies that provide services include SEARCH, 560 Seventh Ave., Englewood Cliffs, N.J. 07630, (201) 567-4040; CHILD FIND, P.O. Box 277, New Paltz, N.Y., 12561, (914) 255-1848; NATIONAL CENTER ON MISSING AND EXPLOITED CHILDREN, P.O. Box 50180, Washington, D.C., 20004, (202) 833-3880.

• Search transit authorities, bus and train terminals, airports, parkways and national parks near your home.

• If there were problems at

Mike Sparks

speak to teachers, the principal, guidance counselors and the child's friends. Enlist their help if possible.

• Check out all areas of the child's life — adults, friends, peers, clubs, church members. Talk to any adult the child may look up to and explore any interests the child may have discussed. Enlist as many people as possible to help in the search.

• Canvass distant friends and relatives to whom the child might have gone.

• Search infrequently accessed areas such as roofs, basements and garages.

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Abductors use variety of lures

With the recent highly publicized abduction and murder of two young St. Louis area girls, and many other reports of attempted abductions, the Granite City Police Department wants parents to know the techniques and methods most often employed by would-be abductors.

The following eight lures are often used by abductors and molesters, said Patrolman Mike Sparks of the Granite City Police Department.

• **AFECTION/LOVE:** The vast majority of child molestations and murders are committed by a person who is known by the child or a member of the family.

While most children have been told to be wary of strangers, they are caught off guard when a relative, neighbor or family acquaintance makes advances.

• **HOW TO PREVENT:** Parents should not hesitate to question motives of adults who seem highly interested in their children and want to spend a lot of time alone with them.

Children from unhappy homes are especially easy targets for the affection and love lure.

Molesters admit that lonely children are so starved for affection that they are easy prey.

• **ASSISTANCE:** Perpetrators will often approach a child and ask for some type of help, directions or assistance.

• **The molester may even be disguised as a disabled person or a "sweet old lady who needs a helping hand."**

• **HOW TO PREVENT:** Tell your child that adults who ask other adults for directions or help. If someone stops to ask directions or other assistance, the child should be taught to move out of reach and run away.

• **AUTHORITY FIGURE:** Molesters have been known to dress as firemen, policemen, clergy and other authority figures. They may wear a uniform, carry badges, or even have flashing lights on their car.

Some have posed as stock detectives, accusing victims of stealing and instructing them to "come with me."

• **HOW TO PREVENT:** Teach

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• **BRIBERY:** Bribery still works. Children can be offered candy, toys and other rewards.

• **HOW TO PREVENT:** As parents, be alert for new toys, gifts or money that haven't been given through normal family channels. Ask children where they came from.

• **EGOTISME:** Sometimes, children are promised a modeling job or a chance to be in a movie or beauty contest. They may be offered a private audition and told to keep it a secret.

• **HOW TO PREVENT:** Chaplain children's talent pursuits.

• **EMERGENCY:** The emergency lure is designed to disarm, confuse and worry the child. Examples include, "Your mommy is sick and was taken to the hospital. Come with me."

• **HOW TO PREVENT:** Select a code word that only you and your children know. Tell children they should never go with anyone unless the code word is used. Pre-arrange an action plan for your children to use in the case of a real emergency.

• **FUN AND GAMES:** Innocent play often leads to intimate body contact with this lure. Games could include tickling, wrestling, make-believe, hide the quarter or hide under the blanket.

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Police log

Granite City

Charity donations taken

Robert S. Gilbert, 40, of the 3200 block of Carlson Avenue, was arrested at 5:19 p.m. Dec. 18 and charged with theft.

Gilbert allegedly took a Leukemia Society of America donation collection card containing 28 quarters from the Vin Hoa restaurant in the Bellemore Village Shopping Center.

Truck hits utility pole

Jeffrey D. Potter, 25, of the 2900 block of Sand Road in Edwardsville, was arrested at 1:31 a.m. Dec. 20 for driving under the influence of alcohol.

Potter was allegedly driving a red 1987 Ford pickup truck that struck a utility pole in the 2300 block of Ohio Avenue. The officer clocked the truck at 41 miles per hour in a 30 mph zone, according to a police report.

Potter took three field sobriety tests and a breath analysis test and was charged.

Five traffic charges

Mark D. Shemwell, 31, of the 1300 block of Norwood Drive, Chatham, was arrested at 2:08 a.m. Dec. 20 for driving under the influence of alcohol, improper lane usage, illegal transportation of alcohol, and driving while his license was suspended and driving without liability insurance.

An officer reported seeing a

red and silver 1981 Ford pickup truck southbound in the northbound lane of East 23rd Street near Riddedale Avenue, striking the curb.

Shemwell, the driver, declined to take field sobriety tests or a breath analysis test and was charged.

He dropped a partly-full bottle of beer outside of the truck and then kicked it under the truck, according to a police report.

Speeding, DUI alleged

Scott J. Bourbon, 29, of the 2900 block of Marshall Avenue, was arrested at 5:39 p.m. Dec. 19 for speeding, driving under the influence of alcohol, and disobeying a traffic control device.

An officer reported seeing a blue 1991 Dodge pickup truck northbound on Washington Avenue fail to stop at stop signs at 18th and 27th streets. The officer clocked the truck at 41 miles per hour in a 30 mph zone, according to a police report.

Bourbon refused to take field sobriety tests or a breath analysis test and was charged.

DUI arrest on 19th St.

John J. Arms, 30, of the 2800 block of Emcee Avenue, was arrested at 2:47 a.m. Dec. 19 for driving under the influence of alcohol.

A police officer reported pulling over a white 1990 Dodge van

for apparent traffic violations on 19th Street near Niedringhaus Avenue.

Arms, the driver, took two field sobriety tests, refused to take a breath analysis test and was charged.

His license was suspended for a previous DUI arrest in May, according to a police report.

Arrested again for DUI

William Charles Hayes III, 36, of the 2300 block of Benton Street, was arrested at 5:04 p.m. Dec. 18 for driving under the influence of alcohol and driving without headlights when required.

An officer reported seeing a primer-colored 1980 Ford Fiesta southbound on State Street near 18th without its headlights on.

Hayes took three field sobriety tests, refused to take a breath analysis test and was charged.

His license had been suspended in 1987 for a DUI charge, and revoked twice in 1988 as a result of DUI incidents, according to a police report.

Drug warrant arrest

Mark S. Justice, 32, of the 2400 block of Logan Avenue, was arrested at 2:34 p.m. Dec. 17 on a warrant charging him with unlawful possession of a controlled substance. Justice was arrested in the 2400 block of West 23rd Street.

Madison Farm Fresh on Dec. 14

Bond was set at \$50,000.

Michael J. Mannion, 39, of the 2000 block of Fourth Street in East Madison, was charged with retail theft under \$150. Madison police allege Mannion took a carton of Marlboro cigarettes from the Madison Quik Trip on Dec. 14. Bond was set at \$15,000.

Mark S. Justice, 32, of the 2400 block of Logan Avenue in Granite City, was charged with unlawful possession of a controlled substance. Granite City police allege Justice possessed less than 15 grams of dextropropoxyphene on Nov. 24. Bond was set at \$15,000.

taken from Candela, who was taken by ambulance to St. Elizabeth Medical Center. She was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident.

1987 Plymouth, knowing it to be stolen. Bond was set at \$40,000.

James Robert Smith, 29, of the 1700 block of Cleveland Boulevard in Granite City, was charged with three counts of burglary. Granite City police allege Smith entered the Don Johnson Chrysler/Dodge automobile dealership with the intent to commit a theft on Dec. 10.

Police also allege Smith entered Hutchings Service Station and Green Magic Lawn Care on Dec. 12 with the intent to commit a theft.

Smith was also charged with retail theft under \$150. Madison police allege Smith took two cartons of Kool cigarettes from the

Louis. He was listed as stable Monday.

Both Seeger and Fanscher were passengers in Candela's car.

Blood and urine samples were

Warrants

Felony warrants issued by the office of Madison County State's Attorney William Haine last week named the following five persons.

James D. Mulligan, 40, of the 1400 block of Niedringhaus Avenue in Granite City was charged with unlawful delivery of a controlled substance. Metropolitan Enforcement Group of Southwestern Illinois officers allege Mulligan delivered less than a gram of cocaine on May 3. Bond was set at \$40,000.

Derek K. Townsend, 23, of the 200 block of Carver in the Madison area was charged with an offense relating to motor vehicles. Madison police allege Townsend was in possession of a

2 hurt seriously in crash; DUI charged

A 29-year-old East Alton woman was charged with drunken driving in regard to a traffic accident in Granite City early Saturday morning in which two of her passengers were seriously injured.

Candace D. Candela was northbound on Highway 3 in a red 1990 Plymouth Lazer at 1:34 a.m. Dec. 18 when her car struck a commercial truck, also northbound, near West Chain of Rocks Road.

Frank Seeger, 29, of Wood River was flown by helicopter to St. Louis University Hospital. He was still listed in critical condition Wednesday.

Edward F. Fanscher, 31, of East Alton was flown by helicopter to Barnes Hospital in St.

Harvest Assembly

Invites you to join with them in worship at their new location at 4651 Highway 162 (at I-255)

The Holiday Schedule will be:

* Sunday, December 19th 10:00 AM

Opening Service which will include a 20 minute

Musical / Drama by the Children's Department.

* Sunday, December 19th 6:00 PM

A Drama written by Youth Pastor, Steve Moutria entitled,

"I'll Be Home for Christmas."

* Wednesday, December 22nd and 29th

No Services

* Friday, December 24th 6:30-7:30 PM

Candlelight Communion Service

* Sunday, December 26th

9:30 a.m. Christian Education, 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

* Friday, December 31st 8:00 PM

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Area Holbrook

By Bonita Tillman and Bill Winter Staff writers

With three area legislators seeking re-election, local voters will see some new names on the ballot next year. And voters' choices will be made by the incumbents, primary election races have decided two of the three state representative districts covering the Granite City area.

Among those who have represented the area in the General Assembly, only Wyvetter Young, D-2, of St. Louis, will be included in the March ballot. Democratic McKike of Alton, Mont. of Cahokia and Sam V. of Edwardsville are all in their legislative careers.

The result, as filing week for the March primary, a number of new names.

Young's House District is the only one of the three in which there is no competition in the primary election. Young also is a Republican opponent.

In both of the other districts, Democratic have more than one candidate.

Thomas "Tom" Holbr of Belleville and Belleville Township Supervisor

"Chuck" Oelrich are in the nomination. Two House members are seeking party's nomination.

In the other area district, 11th, four Democrats, including Davis, David Ayres, Fessler and Gary Dyer, are seeking the nomination.

Prehn is the sole Republican candidate.

Democrat

SPRINGFIELD — Democratic Party with porters of Lyndon

the March primary, engaging in a legal remove LaRouche but the battle.

"After discussing with attorneys and on the statewide leaders, it was our

union to focus on executive candidates and the views rather than Democratic Party in

expensive battle that up our resources weeks," Democratic Chairman Gary La

Monday

"Additionally, recent decisions have been in guaranteeing ball challenged candidate

The deadline for petitions for the primary was Monday.

Supporters of the leader LaRouche and his crusades have included "Satanist" religious education, have

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Area legislative races set Holbrook gets support to replace Flinn

By Bonita Tillman
and Bill Winter
Staff writers

With three area legislators not seeking re-election, local voters will see some new names on the ballot next year. And without those incumbents, primary election races have developed in two of the three state representative districts that cover the Granite City area.

Among those who have represented the area in the General Assembly, only Wyvetter Young, D-East St. Louis, will be included on the March ballot. Democrats Jim McPike of Alton, Monroe Flinn of Cahokia and Sam Vadalabene of Edwardsville are all ending their legislative careers.

The result, as filing ended last week for the March primary, is a number of new names in the races.

Young's House District 114 is the only one of the three in the area in which there is no competition in the primary election. Young also has no Republican opponent.

In both of the other two districts, Democratic voters will have more than one candidate to choose from. In District 113, Thomas "Tom" Holbrook of Belleville and Belleville Township Supervisor Charles "Chuck" Oelrich are vying for the nomination. Two Republicans, Michael W. Cordes and Jim Keenher — are seeking their party's nomination.

In the other area district, the 111th, four Democrats — Steve Davis, David Ayres, Floyd Fessler and Gary Dunn — are seeking the nomination. Ted Prehn is the sole Republican candidate.

In the other area legislative race, for Vadalabene's District 56 senate seat, Democrat Evelyn Bowles and Republican David Tanzyus are the two candidates.

Flinn's decision not to seek re-election opened the door for the 113th District race. And Flinn this week toured the district to announce his support for Holbrook, a St. Clair County Board member, as his successor.

Also endorsing Holbrook were former State Rep. Sam Wolf of Granite City and a host of Metro East officials and political leaders. He has also been endorsed for the seat by the Democratic parties in both St. Clair and Madison counties.

During an appearance Monday at Granite City Mayor Ron Wolf's office, a number of local political leaders announced their support for him. Included, in addition to the mayor, were Madison County Board Chairman/Granite City Supervisor Nelson Hagmann, Madison County Democratic Chairman/Madison Mayor John Bellico, Madison County State's Attorney William Haine, Nameoki Township Supervisor Ken Davis, Granite City Democratic Chairman Frank Laub, Madison County Democratic Vice Chairman/Edwardsville Supervisor Bob Stille and Jim Noeth, a Granite City School Board member who is treasurer of the Madison County Democratic Party.

Holbrook's initial rally Monday morning at the St. Clair County Courthouse was attended by a number of other supporters, including Sheriff Mearl Justus, County Clerk Janice Delaney and Belleville city officials Lois Hock and Mike Lundy.

"He's done a good job where he's at and as a precinct committeeman," Flinn said. "He was chairman of the Belleville Democratic Party, and I chose to support him because of that. No one else has that criteria."

"His experience with a legislative board and committee procedures can be helpful at Springfield."

Wolf cited Holbrook's "long legislative and political experience" and predicted Holbrook would ably represent the Quad City area.

The candidate said, "I have a track record of openness and accessibility." As a County Board member for 13 years, Holbrook said he played a major role in two jail expansions and building a county parking garage; helped save millions of dollars through a self-insurance program; and worked to see Scott airport joint use and light-rail transit extending into St. Clair County become virtual realities.

Holbrook, 44, is an electrical instrumentation engineer at the Ethyl Corp. in Sauget, where he has worked for 22 years.

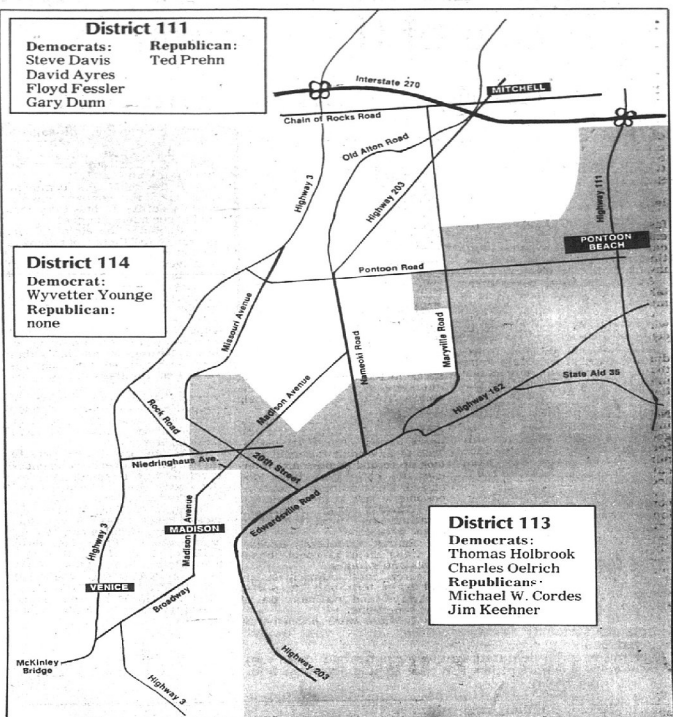
On the state level, the gubernatorial election promises to be a battle. Although Gov. Jim Edgar is expected to win the Republican nomination for his office, two other Republicans, Maurice Horton and Jack Roeser, also filed for the March primary.

The crowded Democratic ballot for the governor nomination consists of Cook County Board Chairman Richard Phelan, Attorney General Roland Burris, Sheila Jones, Michael Schumacher, State Comptroller Dawn Clark Loutch and James Gierach.

District 111
Democrats: Steve Davis, David Ayres, Floyd Fessler, Gary Dunn
Republican: Ted Prehn

District 114
Democrat: Wyvetter Young
Republican: none

District 113
Democrats: Thomas Holbrook, Charles Oelrich
Republicans: Michael W. Cordes, Jim Keenher



Democrats to fight LaRouche backers

SPRINGFIELD — The state Democratic Party will fight supporters of Lyndon LaRouche in the March primary instead of engaging in a legal battle to remove LaRouche backers from the ballot.

"After discussing our options with attorneys and real Democratic statewide candidates and leaders, it was our unified decision to focus on exposing the candidates and their extremist views rather than engage the Democratic Party in a lengthy, expensive battle that would tie up our resources for many weeks," Democratic Party Chairman Gary LaPaille said Monday.

"Additionally, recent court decisions have been very liberal in guaranteeing ballot access to challenged candidates," he added.

The deadline for challenging petitions for the primary election was Monday.

Supporters of the political cult leader LaRouche, whose recent crusades have included opposition to "Satanism" trends in public education, have filed as Dem-

ocratic candidates for all statewide offices this year except attorney general.

LaRouche is serving a federal prison sentence for fraud resulting from fund-raising activities by his organizations. His supporters say he is a "political prisoner" and the victim of trumped-up evidence.

In 1986, LaRouche supporters won the Democratic primary elections for lieutenant governor and secretary of state. The upset prompted Adlai Stevenson III, the Democratic candidate for governor, to mount a third-party bid, which he lost, rather than run on the same ticket with the LaRouche backers.

The LaRouche organization is also making a major effort to take control of the state Democratic Central Committee headed

by LaPaille.

LaPaille said the Democratic Party Central Committee will be meeting soon to discuss and develop strategy to expose the LaRouche candidates.

"Let all Democratic candidates be warned today that the threat of these LaRouche candidates for statewide office, Congress and state Central Committee is real, and they should not take anything for granted in camp paigning against these extremists," LaPaille said.

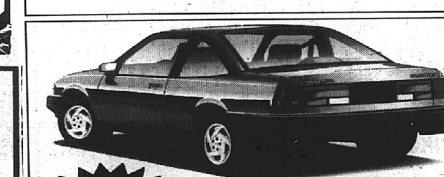
The group is fielding candidates in 14 of the state's 20 congressional districts but none locally.

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Who steps first in crime fight?

County Board Member Don Garrett and Illinois Attorney General Roland Burris got into a heated exchange over illegal-drug related crime last week.

For local residents, the exchange had a familiar ring — both in its content and its intensity.

Burris, the state's chief law enforcement official, said that the war against drugs cannot be won by increasing law enforcement. Burris said the crime-filled drug culture will only be defeated when the citizens take it upon themselves to rise up against it.

Garrett, speaking as a representative of the people, said law enforcement must first seriously enter into battle against the drug culture. When that happens, and only when that happens, Garrett said, will the citizens be able to rise up and join in the battle.

The Burris side of the argument — given many times by local police chiefs — argues that they will never come when there will be a police officer for every street corner. Citizens, the argument goes, must be willing to do their part because the police can't be everywhere.

The Garrett side — repeated loudly and often by citizen groups — argues that law enforcement officials are asking citizens to serve as front-line cannon fodder. When the citizens balk at playing that role, the argument goes, those officials cite "lack of citizen involvement" as an excuse for their own ineffectiveness.

Put the police out on the front lines and have them actually engage the enemy — not just steam by occasionally in a show of force — and Garrett-side proponents say it will amaze the police how quickly the citizens will come out to join in the fight.

The Garrett-Burris tiff is a chicken-and-egg argument — arguing about whether the chicken or egg came first — that can go on forever but never be resolved. For every citizen who quit calling the police because the police didn't take a complaint seriously, there is a police officer who quit taking complaints seriously because citizens didn't want to get involved.

If crime is to be defeated, law enforcement officials and citizens must work together. It's time to stop arguing about who will take the first step.

To work together, citizens and law enforcement officials need to develop mutual trust and respect.

Police officers must believe that citizen complaints are worth investigating.

Citizens must believe the police will do their jobs when called.

Police need to know that citizens will stand behind them in court.

Citizens need to be assured that the police will be there to help guide the citizens through the unfamiliar turns of the criminal justice system.

Police need to realize how frustrated the citizens can become and expect that some of the resulting anger may occasionally be misdirected at them.

Citizens need to realize that police are often frustrated by the criminal justice system and expect it to occasionally result in bitter cynicism.

Police and citizens must both realize that they will often cause troubles for each other and may even find themselves battling one another.

But, ultimately, they are on the same side and the only victory that counts is a victory for everyone.



Christmases, past and present

By Bill Winter
Staff writer

"Christmases roasting on an open fire..." is being played on many radio stations. Bob Hope has sung "Silver Bells" on yet another of his December television specials.

The newspaper is bulging with holiday sales ads. "Tree of Lights" bells are ringing in the streets.

Carols and holiday hymns are heard in every church. Nativity scenes are being staged. Store cash registers are jingling.

Homes throughout the community are aglow with holiday decorations, inside and out.

Quad Citizens undeniably are ready, or nearly ready, for the Christmas-New Year holidays, the bagpipes of all.

We had an opportunity to visit the "Way of Lights" this month and recommend it to all. It tells the 200-year-old Christmas story with what seems like millions of lights in trees, shrubs and outdoor sculptures.

For the 1993 display, three "spires of light" have been installed, relating to the creation of Adam and Eve, their banishment and Noah's Ark. The latter spire is especially timely, in view of the Midwest's record flood this summer.

It is planned to add 15 other spires of light by the year 2000 to complete the story of salvation, including scenes involving Abraham, Moses, David, Solomon, Mary, Joseph and Jesus.

Millions of people have driven through the free Way of Lights over the past two decades, but there is almost no delay despite the heavy traffic. It is located at the National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows, 9600 West Illinois Highway 15, Belleville.

Also this month, Lois and I saw two Fox Theater attractions that had settings more than a century old.

"Tchaikovsky's 'The Nutcracker,'" presented by the State Ballet of Missouri, Dance St. Louis and the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra, begins with a Christmas Eve party in a small German city in the early 1800s. Later scenes include the Snow Forest and the Kingdom of the Sweets.

Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol," staged at the Fox by the Nebraska Theater Caravan, also began on Christmas Eve in London.

Although the classic story was published a short time before Christmas in 1843, its "better to give than receive" message remains vividly alive and pertinent 150 years later.

We also attended an open house at the Old Six Mile Museum, 3279 Maryville Road, Granite City, and found it colorfully decorated for the holidays.

The festive occasion included burning of the mortgage for the museum, built by William Emert as his residence in 1837. The home was purchased in 1894 by August Zippel, and exactly 100 years later was bought by the Old Six Mile Historical Society, which had been formed in 1981.

Operated by volunteers and with no tax base to support it, the museum nevertheless is thriving and includes many historic objects, furniture and memorabilia donated by area residents.

The museum brochure notes that it includes front hall lights from the former Schildman mortuary, a living room couch from the Rhode home, an 1854 piano, a kitchen "pie safe" dating back to 1837, a summer kitchen used for baking, a display room of granite and Civil War artifacts, pictures of the mayors of Granite City, a large bedroom, a sewing room complete with a spinning wheel and sewing machine more than a century old, a smokehouse constructed after the Civil War and a traveler's room, restored by the Engle family.

The Six Mile settlement originated here in the early 1800s, before Madison County was formed in 1812 and before Illinois became a state in 1818, but its descendants are still active and no doubt will help in the commemoration of Granite City's 100th anniversary in 1996.

Holiday customs in Bulgaria stress joy, hope

By Vasil Vasileff
of Granite City

Bulgaria is a country rich in customs which deal with the many aspects of the people's spirit, the age-long striving for happiness and their faith in a better future.

New Year's Day, even in the darkest days of suffering, was marked by the Bulgarians as a day different from the others, a day which is called upon to give a favorable, optimistic direction to the course of events — a day, during which nothing should be marred.

Everyone must forget one's usual cares and worries, even one's everyday hardships. People must become united, more tolerant and understanding. They must open their hearts to care-free joy in order to be merry all the year round.

Just like people the world over, Bulgarians usually see in the new year seated around a well-furnished table.

Prominent among the dishes is the ritual loaf of bread or cake in which the housewife has placed a silver coin and other small objects meaning various good wishes for health, wealth and good luck, in case there are marriageable girls and boys in the house. In short, everyone's fortune is read for the coming year.

The traditional New Year dishes include such popular favorites as sauerkraut juice, pork with sauerkraut, stuffed cabbage leaves, dried fruit compote, fresh fruit and finally a plate of honey to make life sweet during the coming year.

In those distant years when customs were formed, there were no watches or clocks.

So, it was up to the rooster to announce midnight and then to awaken the folk who slept a righteous sleep.

Up to this day, on New Year's morning the first to rise are the cornel boys. These are groups of five to 10 boys, usually friends, wrapped in heavy cloaks. They hold staffs of cornel (dogwood) branches adorned with paper blossoms or ribbons.

In Bulgaria, these cornel staffs are called "surovakitsi."

The cornel has been chosen as

Our guest

the national symbol of the bearer of good health and happiness, faith in the future, because this tree usually blossoms first and is noted for its toughness and strength.

With the most prominent young men in the lead, the group of cornel boys visits every chosen house.

The heavy, frosted gales break in the early morning cold and the cornel boys enter solemnly, conscious of their important mission as the first visitors to that home in the new year to bring the first joy and blessing to the family.

The master of the house comes out on the porch with all his family to receive the blessing as the first cornel boy taps him lightly on the back with the decorated cornel branch, a wish for good health.

Similarly, a blessing is then bestowed on every one of the remaining members of the family while the best-voiced boy chants the traditional good wishes:

"A raw, ruddy New Year; a merry New Year! Golden ears in the field; apples in the orchard."

"A house full of silk; wishes to be well and alive. Till next year and for years after, Amen."

The housewife then thankfully presents the cornel boys with rolls, lard, sausages and dried fruit.

Toward noon, the whole village flocks to the square, where they join in a New Year round dance.

Of course, young men and girls, married couples and elderly folk are all festively dressed.

The brisk dancing tempo marked by the very ancient drum makes every heart jump with delight and a libe line of dancers winds round on the fresh New Year snow.

Everyone craves to show his or her best, for this is the place where young people choose their lovers and the elderly want to show that their hearts are still young.

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TO THE EDITOR:

I thank the following businesses around the Mitchell School area for donating money for candy to Santa Claus can distribute it to the children:

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Last but not least was a group that will be there when you need them. They still make house calls, and are a very dedicated group, the Mitchell Fire Department.

WALLY SCRUM, Mitchell

Protect children

In memory of Angie Houseman and Cassidy Senter: Such outrageousness, to rob innocence of purity. What an uncertain world full of disillusionment. When does reality become safe? Where is the line drawn? Who protects the children? Why is love so scarce?

Visualize a world where truth can't be sold or bought; when the sun goes down, peace remains in place. Imagine for a moment safety from the darkness by manifestation of light, where those of us that can see join together to lead our blind counterparts to the safety of enlightened lands.

By example, fear, anger and resentment, all subside.

We find ourselves absent of outrage and joyfully praising ourselves for bringing our children home in one piece.

KATHY LYNN, Granite City

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Maxine Green of Granite City and Nancy Class of the Granite City Press-Record/Journal. She contacted at 901-6256.

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Ruth Class gathers gifts for youngster



Maxine Green

Maxine Green covers the Granite City and Nameoki Township area for the Press-Record/Journal. She can be contacted at 931-6256.

The regular back class was held Tuesday, Dec. 14, at 2502 Pontoon Road. The subject material was on vertebral subluxation and the many things it controls.

Also discussed were many ailments which can be treated, such as nerves, muscles and joints.

Those attending were Billy Heath, Margie Heath, Cindy Tucker, Evelyn Russell, Cassie Tucker, Robert Reed, Eileen Shipley, Amanda Tucker, Paula Weaver, Jimmy Shipley, Eugene Fox, Wilma Van Hoose, Dr. John Gram, Maxine Green, Dr. Larry Shipley and Laura and Lyndsay Shipley. Refreshments were served after the discussion period.

The Granite City Senior Social Club officers and board of directors enjoyed a luncheon and gift exchange Monday afternoon in the Granite City Township Hall.

Attending were Bernice Mercer, president; Gertrude Boskey, vice president; Louise Baker, secretary; Janie Duncan, treasurer; Ben Forsyth; Grace Paddock; Annabelle Patton; Tally and Mary Evans; Erma Manning; one new member, Bud Strunk; and other guests, Mr. Paddock, Ann Mercer and Pete Allen.

The December meeting of the Ruth Class of Calvary Baptist Church was held Tuesday, Dec. 7, in the home of Norma Ross.

The devotional was given by Pauline Hall on "Advice on Spiritual Gardening."

Prayer requests were made for Roy Weister, Boyd Wallis, Brooks Weir, Don Smith and Betty Sutton. Eileen Badgett led the club in prayer.

The secretary's report was given by Ruth Dagon and the treasurer's report was given by Pat Wallis.

Maxine Hoover gave gifts for a teenage girl from Carmi Children's Home gathered from class members.

The project for December is to give food for the Christmas baskets. A rehearsal for the Christmas skit was held Saturday, Dec. 4.

A trip was planned for Eureka, Mo., to see the Christmas lights.

Norma Ross presented a reading about Christmas. Games were led by Maxine Hoover and everyone present won one prize.

A gift exchange was held and refreshments were served to Pat Wallis, Pauline Hall, Lois Bivens, Ruth Dagon, Pauline Weir, Eileen Badgett, Bernice Mercer, Maxine Hoover, Maureen Lewallen, Betty Sutton, Gladys Hutson and the hostess, Norma Ross.

The next meeting will be hosted by Ruth Dagon Jan. 7. Eileen Badgett will give the devotional and games will be planned by Maxine Hoover.

Carla Lickenbrock hosted a family Christmas party in her home on Saturday. Refreshments were served and Santa Claus arrived and presented all the little ones with presents.

Present were Bo and Carla Lickenbrock and daughter, Sarah; Kathy L. Green and daughters, Keri and Kourtney; Kim Mathes and daughters, Stephanie and Kelly; John and Delores Holton; Mickey Sprague; and Tom and Kathy Green.

Steve Kraus celebrated his 40th birthday Sunday evening at a dinner given by his mother-in-law, Dorothy Martin, in her home on Dawn Avenue. Birthday cake and ice cream were served and the evening was spent playing games.

Those present were his wife, Sandy, and children, Stephanie, Shannon and Scott; Larry and Chris Martin, C.D. and Kathy Franklin and daughter, Tracey; his grandmother, Carolyn Maxwell; David and Gayle Nimmo and sons, Clay and Jeff; Helen Thompson; Pastor Gene and Judy MacMannus; Rob and Tammy Mans and children, Scott and Tara; Rick and Jan Gum and Kenneth Lane.

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

In the late 1950s and early 1960s, St. Louis was busy refining its own version of "swing" dancing. Decades later a Metro East group is working to keep those moves alive.

The Midwest United States Imperial Dance Club (MUSIC) is a non-profit group that meets to celebrate the dance and to teach it to others. Swing originated on the East Coast about 60 years ago; it is so named because of the way the men would "swing" their female partners over their heads.

THE "IMPERIAL SWING" was developed within the walls of George Edick's Club Imperial in St. Louis.

"I never made it there — that's one of my small disappointments," said Jim Laux of Collinsville, president of MUSIC.

But Laux is making up for it now. He is one of about 100 dancers who show up at the American Legion Post 365, 1022 Vandavia in Collinsville, from 6 to 11 every other Sunday night. The first two hours of each meeting are for lessons — from beginning to advanced — while the next three hours are devoted to dancing.

"The people who get involved in it really enjoy it a lot," said Linda McKeahan of Granite City, the group's secretary.

"I love it. I think it's great."

In fact, McKeahan enjoys it so much that she has also gotten her daughter, 11, involved.

At 15 years, the group is the second oldest of seven imperial dance clubs in the St. Louis area, Laux said. By belonging to MUSIC, members can also attend dances at the other clubs.

"There's a place you can go just about every night of week," Laux said. "Monday night, I can't think of one right off, but there probably is one."

"It's fine, inexpensive entertainment and good exercise, too."

DANCE SPEEDS VARY from moderate to fast and the music that's played has an equal range. Laux said there is a lot of rhythm and blues, '50s and '60s rock, as well as some modern music.

The dancers also come in a variety of themselves. While the majority are in their 30s to 50s, there are also teenagers and some youngsters who come with their parents.

"It's all ages of people really," McKeahan said.

Dancers can bring a partner or fly solo.

"It's a good way to meet people in a real nice, non-threatening environment where anybody can just come and dance," Laux said.

The group's next dance, slated for this Sunday, will add a twist to meeting people. For each person a dancer asks to dance, they will earn a chip that can be used to bid on prizes at the end of the evening.

LAUX HIMSELF HAS forged a few friendships in his more than three years in the club.

"Almost any place I go I run



Dancers take to floor at the American Legion Hall in Collinsville during a break in MUSIC's imperial dance competition.



MUSIC President Jim Laux announces the slate of contestants before the dancers get down to serious business.

into somebody from the dance community," Laux said.

Dress for the dances is casual and admission is \$2 for members and \$4 for non-members. The yearly membership fee is \$15.

For those who like a challenge or feel up to one after taking some lessons, the club also plays host to a number of competitions. MUSIC sponsors the annual Illinois Traditional Dance Contest each November and co-sponsors the annual Midwest Challenge Dance which

rotates between MUSIC, the St. Louis Imperial Dance Club and the Tulsa (Okla.) Swing Club.

MUSIC has also played host to the St. Louis Invitational, which brings competitors from all over the country.

IT HAS BEEN HELD for the last two years at the Gateway Convention Center in Collinsville and will be held there again next year.

But dancers — or would-be dancers — don't have to be up

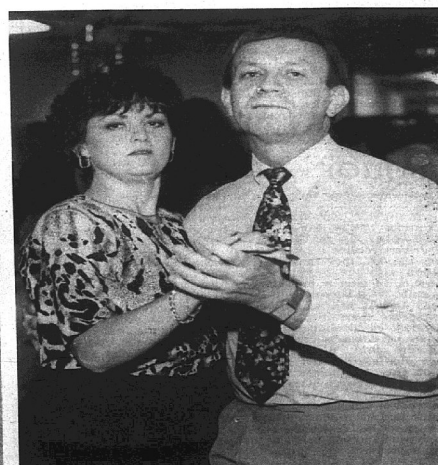


Bill and Anne Simpson of Granite City try not to look nervous in the dancing competition.

(Photos by Mark Bonebrake)

to a challenge to try out the dances, Laux said, and warns that imperial dancing can be

addictive. "We encourage people to try it. They might find they like it."



Jim Laux of Collinsville and his partner Pat Engle of Arnold, Mo., share a dance.



Linda McKeahan of Granite City and Bill Seigel have the floor to themselves and show the crowd how to do the swing.

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Bertha Hall

Bertha (Thouvenin) Hall, 86, of Granite City died at 7:40 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 22, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City. She was born Aug. 26, 1907, in St. Louis.

She had been employed in the dietary department at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Mrs. Hall was a member of St. John United Church of Christ, Granite City, and the Pontoon Beach Senior Citizens, Glen Carbon.

Survivors include one cousin, Mabel Kennerly of Granite City, and two second cousins, Charlene Riggins of Edwardsville and Edward Kennerly of Granite City.

She was preceded in death by her husband, George Hall, who died in 1958; and her parents, Louis and Rose (Wisnasky) Thouvenin.

Visitation is from 8 to 8 p.m. today at Irwin Chapel, 3860 Maryville Road, Granite City, where services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday with the Rev. Allen Reiter officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon.

Memorials are requested for St. John United Church of Christ.

Helen Bush

Helen M. (Dawson) Bush, 94, of Kansas City, Mo., formerly of Mitchell, died Saturday, Dec. 11, 1993, at Truman Medical Center, Kansas City.

She was a member of the Navy Mothers Club of America.

Survivors include four sons, Leroy Burton of Granite City, Bill Burton of Osage Beach, Mo., Harry Burton of St. Louis, and Robert Burton of Leavenworth, Kan.; 17 grandchildren, 37 great-grandchildren and 12 great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Jefferson Bush; one son, Kenneth Burton; and two daughters, Shirley Keller and Katherine Burton.

Services were held in Kansas City. Burial was at Forest Hill Cemetery, Kansas City. Local arrangements were by Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City.

Billy Bancroft

Billy S. Bancroft, 61, of Collinsville, formerly of Granite City, died at 5:13 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 21, 1993, at Anderson Hospital, Maryville. He was born Aug. 3, 1932, in Granite City.

He was a supervisor at Dow Chemical in Madison Heights, Mich., and later at Chemetco in Granite City.

Mr. Bancroft was a member of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, Collinsville, in which he was a past president.

Survivors include his wife, L. Delores (McMahon) Bancroft, whom he married May 12, 1951; two sons, Jon Kevin Bancroft and Richard Keith Bancroft, both of Collinsville; and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John Burns Bancroft and Elizabeth Nadine (Smith) Bancroft.

Services are set for 11:30 a.m. today at Herr Funeral Home, 501 W. Main St., Collinsville, with the Rev. Donald Sabbert officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon.

Memorials are requested for the American Parkinson Disease Association.

Liquor

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pays a fee to the secretary of state's office.

If drivers receive a revocation under the law, they must file a petition with the secretary of state's office after a mandatory 12 months for a hearing with the office. At that hearing, drivers must prove that they are not dependent on alcohol and that they are not dangerous drivers.

Drivers may also file a request for a restricted driving permit after six months of the revocation. A restricted permit allows people to drive to and from work or school only.

Haine said his office will fight all requests for restricted permits to send a strong message to all young drivers who flirt with the dangers of getting behind the wheel with open containers of alcohol.

"Teen-agers are inexperienced drivers to begin with," he said. "Alcohol introduces a substance which impairs an already in-

Clarence Hoffman

Clarence A. Hoffman, 72, of Granite City died at 7:46 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 21, 1993, at his residence. He was born Dec. 5, 1921, in Granite City, where he had been a lifelong resident.

He was a demaker at West Vaco Paper Co., St. Louis, for 20 years prior to his retirement in 1973; a member of Concordia Lutheran Church, Granite City; and a World War II Navy veteran.

Survivors include four sons, Tom, Dave and Clarence C. Hoffman, all of Granite City, and Tony Hoffman of Morgantown, Ky.; two daughters, Chris Martin and Cookie Hanks, both of Granite City; 12 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Nancy A. Hoffman, who died April 21, 1989; his parents, Christian and Minnie (Mees) Hoffman; two brothers, Walter Hoffman and Neal Hoffman; and two sisters, Kathryn Westbrook and one in infancy.

Visitation is from 8 to 8 p.m. today at Mercer Mortuary, 1416 Niedringhaus Ave., Granite City, where services will be held at 10 a.m. Friday with the Rev. Michael Hart officiating. Burial will be at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon.

Memorials to the donor's choice are suggested.

Fred Flaughter

Fred Flaughter Sr., 83, of Tusculum, Mo., formerly of Granite City, died Monday, Dec. 20, 1993, at Memorial Community Hospital, Jefferson City, Mo.

He was born April 21, 1910, in Capps, Mo., and had been a resident of Tusculum since 1973.

He was a machinist at American Steel Foundries, Granite City, for 32 years prior to his retirement in 1973 and was a member of Humphrey's Creek Christian Church, near Tusculum.

Survivors include his wife, Gracie (Clark) Flaughter, whom he married Feb. 18, 1939, in Eldon, Mo.; five sons, Fred, Elmer, and Wynona Hughes of Granite City; three brothers, Ivan Flaughter of Peoria, Ill., and Larry and Lloyd Flaughter, both of Eldon; one sister, Dorothy Hobbeman of Union, Mo.; 20 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Pearl (Robison) Flaughter.

Services were held at 10 a.m. today at Stevenson-Mossman Funeral Home, St. Elizabeth, Mo., with the Rev. Ed Teal officiating. Burial was at Capps Cemetery.

Eula Lacewell

Eula (Bollinger) Lacewell, 78, of Oakbrook, Ill., formerly of Granite City, died Tuesday, Dec. 21, 1993, at Oakbrook Health Care Center, Oakbrook, after a three-month illness.

Born July 12, 1915, in Cape Girardeau, Mo., she had been a resident of Granite City for 58 years. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include one daughter, experienced driver and increases the risk for tragedy. That is why we are saying they will face suspension of their driving privileges.

Edwardsville Police Chief Ben Dickmann said he was pleased with the new law and called it "a step in the right direction."

But, Dickmann said, the law could unfairly punish the driver for a passenger's misdeeds. Often, teen-agers who don't drink and drive can be pressured into allowing the passenger to drink, he said.

"One of the problems police officers have is the realization that sometimes a more domineering personality is the passenger who is the more dominant personalities in the passengers," Dickmann added he hoped the new law would encourage drivers to take responsibility for their passengers and to not allow open containers of alcohol in their cars.

Family center dedicated by Gov. Edgar

Gov. Jim Edgar recently joined community leaders and local state government officials in the dedication of the East St. Louis Family Development Center of Lessie Bates Davis Neighborhood House.

This is the first time that tax-exempt bonds have been used for the sole purpose of child support services in low-income neighborhoods.

"The opening of the East St. Louis Family Development Center marks the beginning of an important public/private partnership effort to help build hundreds of needy children and their families across Illinois," Edgar said. "I commend the Illinois Facilities Fund, the Chicago Community Trust and the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services on their cooperative effort."

Edgar announced the development of this partnership, which financed the construction and program expansion for the center in August 1992.

The East St. Louis site is the first of seven sites in Illinois which will provide enhanced child care in areas of high need.

A former National Food Store was purchased and renovated to house the East St. Louis Family Development Center at a cost of almost \$1 million.

Laud has used the Town Board to help budget and pay the salaries of the employees, all trustees failed to meet the statutory requirement of funding her office at a level that would allow for "efficient operation."

Trustee Judy Whitaker asked that the assessment and the township supervisor present separate budgets — preferably in January — for fiscal year 1994-95.

Trustee Ed Whitaker said Madison County Clerk Evelyn Bowles has also requested that township submit separate budgets and tax levies for assessors and supervisors next year.

In other action, the board failed to approve retroactive pay for 3 percent raises for seven township employees, all assigned to the supervisor's office.

at an elementary school involving a lethal weapon, although Kosterick said there had been incidents involving toy weapons.

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"We've had a cigarette lighter shaped like a gun and a toy gun broken apart," he said, "but when we treat the same way as a real gun — but never an actual gun," Kosterick said.

In Granite City, meanwhile, police discovered a revolver in the car of a 14-year-old girl arrested for shoplifting at the Wal-Mart store.

Because she did not flourish the gun, she did not meet criteria for detention in the county juvenile detention home," said Maj. Dave Rueschhausen of the Granite City Police Department.

According to a police report, the girl was arrested at Wal-Mart on West Pontoon Road at 4:26 p.m. Friday.

A security guard said the girl placed a pair of jeans, a pair of socks and two rugby shirts under her coat before leaving the store without paying for them.

The security guard subsequently stopped the girl and discovered a .38-caliber revolver in her coat, the report states.

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If the ordinance were vetoed it would take a two-thirds majority — six votes of the eight — to override the veto.

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Hamm, Armour, Vrabec and Aldermen Ed Newsome and Norris Horton voted against it.

Vrabec then made a motion to amend the levy ordinance by removing the six new taxes, but that amendment failed 5 to 4 with Hamm, Vrabec and Horton voting in favor of it and Armour, George, Grzywacz and Aldermen Richard George and Ralph Miller voting against it to break the tie.

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The city is currently trying to sell to Hunteco Steel for at least \$500,000 the property Hunteco took from the city. However, a sale is uncertain.

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bec began to heatedly lobby Armour to reconsider her vote. Armour agreed to a motion to reconsider Vrabec's amendment and Newsome withdrew his motion.

Vrabec repeated his amendment, Armour switched her vote and it was approved 5 to 4. The ordinance then amended to reflect the \$93,000 drop in revenue and a projected deficit of \$392,968 was approved for final passage by an identical 5 to 3 vote.

The estimated new city property tax rate is an increase of 70 cents per \$100 over last year's rate of \$2.22 per \$100, but 60 cents lower than the originally proposed rate.

But if assessed value in the city drops by 10 percent as is anticipated, the tax rate will go up about 26 cents per \$100 more because the majority of the taxes levied do not have a set rate limit.

A person with a home with a market value of \$38,000 assessed at \$12,000 — who paid \$26 in city property taxes last year will have a 1994 city tax bill of approximately \$350.

Based on the rate adjusted for a 10 percent decrease in assessed value, the city tax bill for a house assessed at \$12,000 will be about \$350.

Under the proposed levy that was turned down, the same person would have had a tax bill of \$392.

The bill list requested back pay for the seven employees from March 1 through Dec. 31 of this year.

While the money was budgeted for raises, trustees said they were uncomfortable paying the added wages to employees for an increase in insurance costs incurred this year.

"Just because something is budgeted doesn't mean it has to go along with it," Trustee Craig Tarpo said.

The vote on the retroactive pay was 14-1. Trustee Walter Milton cast the only vote to pay the additional wages.

Trustee Ed Windsor was absent from the meeting.

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Mini-Mall — Santa's Mini-Mall provided assistance for area children in Granite City to shop for parents and siblings at children's prices. In top left photo, Daniel and Khone Sirimanotham visit with Rudolph, Santa and Mrs. Claus. In top right photo, Frosty the Snowman poses with, from left, Tiffany Easley, 5, Sarah Caudron, 8, and Shannon Easley, 9. In middle left photo, nine-year-old Angelina Manzo reads a Christmas story to friends, from left, Ashley Colp, Lisa Colp, and Joanna Manzo. In bottom left photo, Meredith Chomko, right, gets a freshly-made snowcone from Debbie Pasig, left, and daughter Heather.



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THE LAW AND YOU

By RICK REED
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When elderly widows and widowers remarry, the question often arises as to whether an individual should put his property in joint tenancy with his new spouse. Many people in this situation will want to take care of their spouse after their death, but they also want their children to ultimately inherit their property. It is important to note that joint tenancy property passes to the survivor upon the death of the first joint tenant. Therefore, if the elderly widower remarries and places his real estate in joint tenancy with his new spouse, his new wife will receive the entirety of the property upon his death. She can then dispose of the property in any way she desires even if his will indicated his children should receive the property after her death.

In one recent case, a 65-year old man had three children, all of whom were in their thirties. The man was a widower for ten years, and then he decided to marry a woman with two children by prior marriage. He immediately placed the deed to his condominium in joint tenancy with his new wife.

Each then prepared a will indicating that the

surviving spouse was to enjoy the full benefit and use of this property when the first one died. They further indicated that when the surviving spouse died, the condominium was to pass in equal shares to their children. However, it is important to note that neither can control the disposition of this property from the grave. In other words, should he die first, the property would pass to his new wife according to the joint tenancy arrangement in the deed. She could then dispose of the property in any way she saw fit. She would not be obligated to pass the property on to his heirs at the time of her death even though his will indicated this was to be done.

One way around this situation would be for the man and his new wife to own property as tenants in common. In addition, they could each prepare a will giving the other a life estate in the property upon the death of the first. This would mean that when the first spouse died, the other spouse would be able to use the property for the balance of his lifetime. When the second one died, the property would then pass to the respective heirs of each spouse.

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Christmas past — The Madison County Historical Museum in Edwardsville recently ushered in the holiday season with an open house to kick off its "Recalling Christmas Past" display. Above, Nancy Small of Edwardsville entertains Sherry Nash and Lyn Frangoulis of Granite City with a version of "We Three Kings" on the harp. At left, Robert Rupprecht of Madison admires the old-fashioned ornaments on a Christmas tree displayed at the museum.

Collinsville to annex Mounds

By Martin Richter
Staff writer

Collinsville is poised to annex Cahokia Mounds following a City Council vote last week to purchase one piece of property and annex another to make the city's boundaries contiguous with the Mounds property.

City Manager Rich Mays said that the city likely will annex Cahokia Mounds in the next three months. He said officials from the Mounds had initially approached the city about the prospect of annexation into Collinsville.

"I think it's something we very definitely have to aggressively pursue," Councilman George Gillespie said. "I think it's the type of quality annexation we need to have."

"I think it also serves as a buffer from other cities that may be trying to expand, and it also opens up far more annexation to the north."

Mays agreed. He said city officials believe the area to the north of the city has great potential for future development.

"We're not going to stop there (at the Mounds)," Mays said. "We want to annex more to the north, and we'll be working on that over the next couple of years."

"We think that's where the direction of economic growth

will be in the next few years," he said.

The City Council's actions to annex property at 3425 Fairmont Ave. and purchase 9 acres of tax delinquent property near the intersection of Black Lane and Interstate 55/70 create a "land bridge" from the current city boundaries to the Mounds.

The city can only annex property that is contiguous to property that is already in the city limits.

The property at 3425 Fairmont Ave. is owned by Ed and Priscilla Fitzpatrick.

Mays said the city will forego the water tap-on fee for the Fitzpatricks as part of the annexation agreement.

The Council voted to pay \$2,517 to purchase the 9 acres of delinquent tax property. Mays said the city will be reimbursed by the Cahokia Mounds Museum Society for the property.

Councilman Vince Kutza was the only council member to vote against either action. He said he didn't agree with providing the free tap-on for the Fitzpatricks, and is against annexing Cahokia Mounds.

"I'm not for annexing the Mounds," Kutza said Friday. "I just think it's going to be adding extra coverage for our police and fire, and I don't think we get any benefits out of it for the city of Collinsville."

Kutza said he doesn't expect the Mounds to generate significant revenue for the city, and said most people already associate the historic site with Collinsville, even though it is outside the city limits.

Mays said Friday that he thinks annexing Cahokia Mounds will have a "minimal" impact on city services. The area already is in the Collinsville Fire Protection District, an area outside the city limits that is served by the Collinsville Fire Department.

"And I talked to the State Police, and they haven't had more than a dozen calls there in a year," Mays said.

Bill Iseninger, public relations director at Cahokia Mounds, said officials at the site are pleased with the potential annexation.

"Generally we're in favor of it," Iseninger said. "We can just see better benefits in the protection from fire and police, plus tapping eventually onto city water."

The Cahokia Mounds Historic Site, a 1,300-acre state park and interpretive center, was named to the United Nations World Heritage List in 1983.

It is the site of one of the first known cities north of Mexico and was home to prehistoric Indians seven centuries before Columbus sailed to the New World.

Seven firms to make pitches to run recycling depository

Seven firms are ready to make pitches to run a large recycling depository in Madison County.

Included in that are the five top recyclers in the country, so it looks real good at this point," said county Solid Waste Coordinator Denise McCleary.

Two months ago, county officials began looking for private firms interested in building and operating a recycling center that would accept materials from curbside programs throughout the county.

Some officials were skeptical of whether any private firms would be willing to get involved in a venture that is not considered a high-profit operation, seven outfits, including local refuse

giants Waste Management Inc., Laidlaw Waste Systems Inc., and BFI Recycling Systems, have indicated interest.

The next step is for county officials to compile a list of specific recycling operations and request formal proposals.

"We're trying to start working on that now that we know there is solid interest," McCleary said Tuesday.

Bottles, cans and paper from curbside recycling programs would be separated and bundled for shipment to manufacturers.

Creating a central depository would make curbside recycling more attractive to communities that don't already recycle because it would be easier to

unload the bottles and cans, officials have said.

In addition, the facility could help the county meet a state-mandated reduction in the amount of trash going into landfills, officials have said. State law requires Madison County to reduce the amount of waste going into landfills by 25 percent by 1996.

If no private firms had come forward, the county Department of Environmental Control had been prepared to consider a government-owned recycling depository operated in conjunction with municipalities and townships.

— From the Alton Telegraph

Lucas election petitions face objection

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

A Granite City woman has filed an objection to the petitions of Ronald "Rink" Lucas of Maryville in his bid for Madison County Clerk.

Norma Mendoza filed the objection Monday with Madison County Clerk Evelyn Bowles. In her objection, Mendoza cites several problems with Lucas' petitions.

The petitions were filed just prior to the close of filing Dec. 13.

Mendoza's objection claims:

- A number of signatures are not signatures but instead are printed names.
- "Anybody can print someone's name," Mendoza said.
- Some of those who signed are not registered voters in Madison County.
- Some of the addresses are post office boxes, not the required street address.
- Some addresses are different than those on voter registration records.
- Some of those circulating petitions for Lucas were not registered voters.
- In three instances, the petition circulator did not appear before a notary but instead has someone else have the petitions notarized.
- One petition has a signature "scratched off" and does not

have an affidavit attached by the circulator saying that he was the one who removed the signature. Mendoza said this would invalidate the entire petition sheet that the signature was on.

"These are flagrant violations of the Election Code which is administered by the county clerk," Mendoza said.

Lucas said Wednesday that he

had not yet seen Mendoza's objections but that he would have an attorney examine them. Lucas did say that he was not surprised that an objection had been filed.

The objection is to be heard by the county's Election Board on Tuesday. The board is made up of Bowles, Circuit Clerk Matt Melucci and State's Attorney William Haine.

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Vital statistics

Following is the monthly report of vital statistics in Madison County issued through the office of County Clerk Evelyn M. Bowles:

	1993	1992
Births —		
Males	120	109
Females	891	922
Total	209	211
Twins (sets)	1	0
Deaths	185	175
Marriages	175	139

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Hard workers help Classic in 10th season

The Collinsville/Schnucks Holiday Classic will be celebrating its 10th year next week. To people like Frank Pitol, it seems like it was only yesterday that the event began.

Pitol, now in his second year of retirement as athletic director of Collinsville Unit 10 District, still helps out with the tournament.

"I HAVE NO particular job," Pitol said. "I'm an overseer and troubleshooter. I fill in when Bob (current athletic director Bob Bone) is not around. I guess you would call me a 'flunky'."

Pitol is far from a flunky. His administrative skills helped shape the tournament, which is recognized as one of the top Christmas holiday tournaments in the state. It's hard-working people like Pitol, Pete Stehman, information and statistics manager; Frank Brada, who is in charge of the officials' table; Jim Bone, who is in charge of the announcers; Purple Pride; the various booster clubs; and others who have made the tournament run, at least on the surface, like a well-oiled machine.

"You need that continuity," Pitol said. "You need people who have been around a long time."

Stehman, a Collinsville firefighter, is one of the veterans, Pitol says.

"I TOLD HIM if he quits, I quit," Pitol said. "He does an excellent job of getting all of the stats out, overseeing the program book and communicating with the teams."

Stehman sloughs off his role, saying, "The tournament pretty much runs itself." The Classic is so respected that only 27 teams will have competed in the tournament over its 10 years of existence. That isn't much of a turnover. Peoria Central is a newcomer this year and will play Granite City at 10:30 a.m. Monday in the first round.

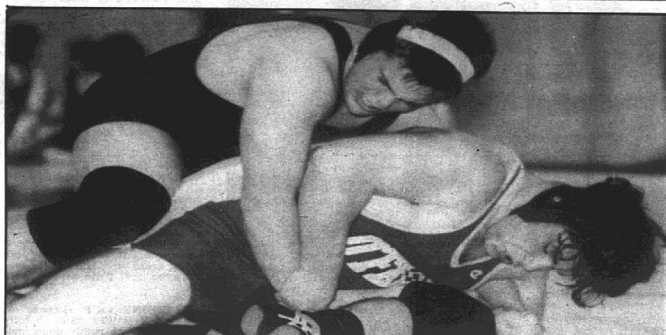
Madison will kick off the tournament with a 9 a.m. game against Springfield Southeast. "We try to get teams with a statewide reputation, and also try to get teams locally which bring fans," Pitol said. "That formula has worked out pretty well. We also want to make sure that Collinsville plays four games because of financial considerations. Schnucks' sponsorship assures us that we'll break at least even on the tournament, but we need the Collinsville fans. One year, we even scheduled it so that we would wind up in the consolation bracket, because we didn't have a very good team that year. We didn't want to play only two games."

PAIRING THE TEAMS is important in assuring good crowds. Pitol remembers the first year of the tournament when top drawing cards Lincoln (Ill.), and Quincy both lost their second-round games, and thus were eliminated.

On another occasion, Pitol remembers holding his breath when he scheduled the Hawks for a 7 p.m. game the first day of the tournament, rather than their customary 8:30 p.m. time slot.

"If we would have lost that game, we would have had to play the next day in the afternoon instead of at night," Pitol says. "But we won the game, so everything worked out OK."

Thanks to people like Pitol, the tournament has been "OK" for 10 years — and counting.



Sophomore heavyweight Chris Janek (top) placed third in last weekend's Springfield Tournament. (Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

Lady Warriors wrap up win

Weller's words spark Granite City to SWC victory over Collinsville

By Tony Panozzo
Staff writer

Granite City girls basketball coach David Weller received an early Christmas gift Tuesday night when the Lady Warriors came from behind to defeat Southwestern Conference rival Collinsville 59-53.

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"We had some good individual efforts in the first half, but we weren't working as a team. We came out fired up and worked more as a team."

The Lady Warriors began the third quarter with an 8-0 run and held the Lady Hawks without a basket until the 4:06 mark, when Jamie Rule finally connected on a jumper. Collinsville managed just two baskets for the rest of the quarter, both by Jenny Klein.

Granite City's defense forced numerous turnovers in the third quarter to set up several easy baskets. After Joanna Groboski hit a basket to put the Lady Warriors up 36-30, Jamie Cavaness stole the ball and fed Denise McMillan at the other end for a three-point field goal and a nine-point lead.

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Granite City 59, Collinsville 53		Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Total
COLLINSVILLE		14	12	10	17	53
Jennifer Benson		3	2	2	7	14
Jenny Klein		2	3	2	5	12
Joanna Groboski		2	3	2	5	12
Denise McMillan		2	3	2	5	12
Granite City		14	12	10	23	59
Jenny Klein		3	2	2	7	14
Joanna Groboski		2	3	2	5	12
Denise McMillan		2	3	2	5	12
Jennifer Benson		2	3	2	5	12
Granite City		14	12	10	23	59

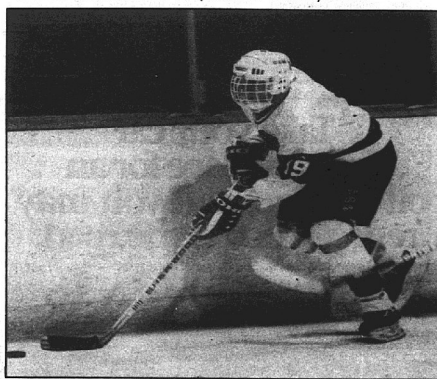
Cavaness finished with a game-high 19 points. McMillan had 12 points, and Groboski added 10.

"They played a super third quarter," Collinsville coach Paul Harrington said. "It was too far to come back from. Against Belleville East, we did the same thing. The third quarter hurt us. That's something we have to work on."

GRANITE CITY INCREASED its lead to 45-32 early in the fourth quarter on two baskets by Cavaness. McMillan gave the Lady Warriors their biggest lead of the game, 52-38, by hitting a three-pointer with 3:30 to play. But Collinsville stayed in the game by hitting three-pointers (See LADY WARRIORS, Page 2B)



Joanna Groboski had 10 points in Tuesday's win. (Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)



Granite City's Aaron Meyer retrieves the puck along the boards in a recent game. (Staff photo by PAM DOEPKE-HURD)

M-S struggles continue for Granite City skaters

By Tony Panozzo
Staff writer

With so little to cheer about this season, the Warrior hockey team has had difficulty finding something positive in its last few games. But coach Jake Hinterser is looking beyond the Warriors' winless record.

The team's losing streak reached nine games Monday in a 9-0 loss to Vianney. But Hinterser seemed encouraged with the Warriors' play. Although Vianney outshot Granite City 35-10, Hinterser said the team's offense is showing signs of improvement.

"WE DID SHOW a little more enthusiasm," Hinterser said. "We showed a little more offensive power."

"The effort was a lot better. All in all, we played better offense, which we hadn't been showing all year."

The Warriors have been out-

cored 80-12 this year, their first in the Mid-States Club Hockey Association's National Conference. The Warriors have been held scoreless in four games.

Hinterser said Granite City's top line of Aaron Reeves, Craig Wagner and Mike Guffy played well against Vianney. Guffy, a freshman, has joined the team and earned immediate playing time.

A knee injury to defenseman Chris Angle and the absence of Chris Valencia and Ryan Gaddy forced the Warriors to make several line changes. Gaddy and Valencia missed Monday's game after drawing game misconducts against Parkway Central last week.

HINTERSEER WENT with two lines and four defensemen most of the way. Aaron Meyer and Jason Crites, who normally play forward, played defense along with Bill Jacobs. Jerry Soriano (See SKATERS, Page 2B)

Holiday tourney up next for Warrior grapplers

By Tony Panozzo
Staff writer

The Warrior wrestling team will enter next week's Granite City Holiday Tournament already tournament-tested. The Warriors, 9-1 in dual meets this season, are coming off last weekend's championship performance at the Springfield Tournament. Granite City won the tournament with a well-rounded effort, capturing just one individual title but finishing with 10 place winners in 13 weight classes.

Coach Mike Garland says the Warriors are shooting for another title trophy. The Warriors placed second in their own tournament last year and won it the year before.

"We'd like to win it," Garland said. "But there are a lot of

tough teams. Everybody has some pretty good individuals that can knock you off."

TWO CURRENT Warriors, T.J. Slay and Chris Hogan, won individual Holiday Tournament titles last year. Slay won the 125-pound weight class and Hogan won the 103 title.

Slay, Granite City's only individual champion at Springfield, is undefeated and ranked sixth in the state. The junior standout is 13-0 and one of the favorites to win next week.

The 16-team tournament annually attracts the St. Louis area's top teams. The field includes defending champion Oakville and five other teams from Missouri: Flynns Howell, North Hazelwood Central, McCluer North, Riverview Gardens and newcomer See GRAPPLERS, Page 2B.

Knights' first MVC victory a milestone

Tim Carley
Correspondent

Not only did the Triad Knights win an important conference game Tuesday. They also helped coach Rich Mason reach a milestone.

The Knights beat host Roxana 86-73 in a Mississippi Valley Conference game. It was their first MVC win after two losses and improved them to 2-3 overall. But more than that, it was the 400th win of Mason's career.

"THAT'S A REAL big one, and I'm glad to get it behind me," Mason said. "Everybody comes out fired up to beat you and prevent you from getting it. It's just a sweet victory."

Mason, who has coached at Triad for 26 years, is also the school's principal. He previously coached at East St. Louis Assumption and Highland St. Paul.

The Shells, meanwhile, suffered from a case of pre-holiday blues early. Knight's leap out to a 14-1 lead in the first quarter and survived a 35-3 run late in the game to secure the win.

"It's real hard to get out of a hole when it's 18 feet deep," said Roxana coach Greg Leib. "Our intensity was not there in the first half, and we just didn't get after it. Defense and sheer hustle were the only things down the stretch."

After a basket by Ryan Collins got the Shells within five with 1:01 to play, Triad put on an exhibition on how to make pressure free throws. The Knights made 12 of 15 free throws, including 5 of 6 by point guard Shannon Soland, to ice the win.

THE SHELLS WERE led by Greg McDaniel's 23 points and 21 points off the bench from Jeff Brummett, including four 3-pointers.

All five Triad starters were in double figures. The Knights were led by Soland's 21 points.

Schedule	
Monday, Dec. 20	BASKETBALL: Vianney vs. Vianney at Collinsville-Frederick Holiday Tournament, 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Dec. 21	BASKETBALL: Granite City vs. Nashville, Muscatine Invitational, 12:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 22	HOCKEY: Defiant at Granite City, 8:00 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 23	BASKETBALL: Madison vs. Springfield Southeast, Collinsville Holiday Classic, 9 a.m.
Friday, Dec. 24	BASKETBALL: Granite City vs. Peoria Central, Collinsville Holiday Classic, 10:30 a.m.
Saturday, Dec. 25	WRESTLING: Granite City Holiday Tournament Finals, 1:15 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 26	BASKETBALL: Granite City vs. Peoria Central, Collinsville Holiday Tournament Finals, 1:15 p.m.

Trivial matters

1. Jason Black set a Warrior record with nine 3-point baskets against Triad on Dec. 3. Who holds the state record for 3-pointers in one game?

2. Nate Lanier of Freeburg was one of the area's best three-point shooters. But what other southern Illinois player has the top career three-point shooting percentage in IHSA history?

Answers at right.

Community Sports Calendar

Fishing show at Gateway Center
The Let's Go Fishing Show, an event developed by Lengyel Consulting of Granite City, has been scheduled for Jan. 7-9, 1994 at the Gateway Center in Collinsville.

The consumer show will feature boats, tackle, seminars and other related products and services geared for the Midwest fishing enthusiast.

Participants to date include boat dealers and product exhibitors from throughout Southern Illinois and Missouri. Exhibit spaces are being offered primarily to Illinois boat dealers, fishing product retailers and destinations. For more information, call Lengyel Consulting at 465-1551.

Coming up

First family of wrestling
GCHS wrestling coach Mike Garland (left) and his brother, Belleville West's Steve Garland, will be featured in Sunday's Journal.

Trivia answers

1. Sycamore's Andy Thomas, who hit 16 3-pointers against Geneva earlier this year on Jan. 29.
2. Jason Peters of Carlyle, who hit 26 of 47 rays from 1987-89 — a .553 percent age.

WU's Clark receives top rookie award

Two local soccer players recently earned awards at the Western Illinois University soccer banquet.

The rookie of the year award went to freshman fullback Dan Clark of Granite City.

"Dan was Mr. Consistent all year," coach John MacKenzie said. "He played very well from beginning to end."

Halfback Mike Verner of Collinsville was named team MVP. The sophomore, who scored three goals and added four assists for 10 points, was voted MVP by his teammates.

"Verner is a very talented player who can thread a pass through a needle," MacKenzie said. "He really did have an outstanding year."

Park District to hold meeting for managers

The Granite City Park District will hold an organizational meeting 7 p.m. Jan. 11 for all managers or persons planning to manage a baseball or ponytail softball team.

The meeting will be held at the Harold Brown Recreation Center, Franklin and Amos Avenue. Attendance is important in that rules and regulations will be discussed.

For more information, call Ray Hoffman at the Wilson Park office, 877-3059.

By the numbers

Southwestern Conference			
Team	League	W	L
East St. Louis	2	0	8
Belleville West	1	1	7
Collinsville	1	1	7
Granite City	1	1	7
Alton	1	1	7
Belleville East	0	2	15

Friday, Dec. 17
Belleville West 55, Collinsville 55
East St. Louis 81, Alton 68
Granite City 48, Belleville East 46

Saturday, Dec. 18
Carbondale 49, Collinsville 41
Belleville East 61, Belleville West 55
Jerseyville 45, Granite City 31

Tuesday, Dec. 28
Collinsville at Collinsville Tournament
Belleville East at Collinsville Tournament
Granite City at Collinsville Tournament
Belleville West at Centralia Tournament

East St. Louis at Centralia Tournament
Alton at Pontiac Tournament

Wednesday, Dec. 29
Collinsville at Collinsville Tournament
Belleville East at Collinsville Tournament
Granite City at Collinsville Tournament
Belleville West at Centralia Tournament

East St. Louis at Centralia Tournament
Alton at Pontiac Tournament

Thursday, Dec. 30
East St. Louis at Collinsville Tournament
Alton at Collinsville Tournament

Friday, Dec. 31
East St. Louis at Collinsville Tournament
Alton at Collinsville Tournament

Saturday, Dec. 18
Carbondale 49, Collinsville 41
Belleville East 61, Belleville West 55
Jerseyville 45, Granite City 31

Sunday, Dec. 19
Carbondale 49, Collinsville 41
Belleville East 61, Belleville West 55
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Jerseyville 45, Granite City 31

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Jerseyville 45, Granite City 31

Wednesday, Dec. 5
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Jerseyville 45, Granite City 31

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Jerseyville 45, Granite City 31

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Jerseyville 45, Granite City 31

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Jerseyville 45, Granite City 31

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Jerseyville 45, Granite City 31

Tuesday, Dec. 11
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Belleville East 61, Belleville West 55
Jerseyville 45, Granite City 31

Wednesday, Dec. 12
Carbondale 49, Collinsville 41
Belleville East 61, Belleville West 55
Jerseyville 45, Granite City 31

Grapplers

(Continued from Page 18)

The rest of the field consists of Carbondale, Cahokia, Civic Memorial, East St. Louis Lincoln, Belleville East, O'Fallon, Roxana, Triad and Herrin.

The tournament will begin at 11 a.m. Monday with a preliminary qualifying round. The second qualifying session starts at 6 p.m. and will cover second and third-round matches.

For most wrestlers, the objective is to advance to the second day of competition. The first championship session begins at 10 a.m. Tuesday.

The final championship session begins at 5 p.m. with the fifth-place matches. Third-place and title matches begin at 6:15 p.m.

Last year, Oakville dominated the tournament. The Tigers had two first-place finishes, two seconds and four fourths.

"Oakville's back, and Hazelwood (Central) is better than last year," Garland said. "It's always a tough tournament."

Warrior wrestling

Matt Weseborn (103)			
Team	League	W	L
Bobby Chaudet (103)	2	0	8
John Hogan (103)	1	1	7
Tim Fulkerson (119)	1	1	7
T.J. Saw (119)	1	1	7
Ernie Miller (130)	1	1	7
Mark Mendelshon (130)	1	1	7
Brian Schoeller (135)	1	1	7
Justin Beam (140)	1	1	7
John Vene (140)	1	1	7
Joe Scott (152)	1	1	7
Jeff Estrada (160)	1	1	7
Tony Ruckel (177)	1	1	7
Jim Watkins (189)	1	1	7
Mike Gaudin (189)	1	1	7
Chris Janek (275)	1	1	7

Monday, Dec. 27
Civic Memorial at Mater Dei Tournament
Highland at Mater Dei Tournament
Mascoutah at Mater Dei Tournament
Roxana at Carrollton Tournament

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Civic Memorial at Mater Dei Tournament
Highland at Mater Dei Tournament
Mascoutah at Mater Dei Tournament
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Highland at Mater Dei Tournament
Mascoutah at Mater Dei Tournament
Roxana at Carrollton Tournament

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Lady Warrior center Jamie Cavaness fires from the free-throw line.

Skaters

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and Ryan Penrod. "We had some kids playing different positions," Hinterser said. "Our defense got a real tough test."

Vianney, one of the top Mid-State teams, made it a night for goaltenders Robbie Slater and Lee Rollins. But Slater, a freshman, recovered from a shaky start and played well during the first two periods.

"On the first two goals, he just wasn't quite ready," Hinterser said. "After that, he came up real big. He played well. As the game went on, he got a lot tougher."

Hinterser said the Golden Griffins were one of the better teams Granite City has faced this year. The Warriors are in the National Conference Gold Division along with Parkway West, Parkway South, Parkway Central, Parkway North, Webster Groves and Lafayette.

"The competition will only get tougher for the Warriors as the season goes on. Three other teams—St. Mary's, DeSmet and Parkway North—have also struggled in the early going."

"Vianney's awfully good," Hinterser said. "The thing about the upper division that's so different this year is there are 10 really strong teams. The upper teams are beating each other. Both divisions are strong up and down."

"You only have about four teams that are in a rebuilding stage. It's just one of those

years where we have to get the experience. We're playing at a higher level, and our kids are getting accustomed. It can only help them."

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Granite City (0-9) has two home games next week. The Warriors play Desmet on Monday and Channahon on Tuesday. Both games begin at 8:45 p.m.

"I see some signs that we're picking it up," Hinterser said. "I'm hoping we can play a little better."

Lady Warriors

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and converting from the free-throw line. With 1:03 to play, Jennifer Benson drilled a three-pointer to cut Granite City's lead to 37-49. Benson then cut the lead to six points by hitting both ends of a one-and-one.

Granite City's Jennifer Willis answered with two foul shots with 26 seconds left to seal the victory. Still, the Lady Kahoks made it a much closer game in the final minutes.

Benson, Rule and Klein paced Collinsville with 15 points apiece.

"If you're going to lose the ballgame, at least learn something from it," Harrington said. "Maybe next time we can pull it off."

"I THINK OUR defense was the key," Willis said. "Collinsville has some really good shooters. It was tough to defend. We had to experiment a little in the first half."

They were able to kick it out and hit some big threes at the end. They were right back in the game."

The Lady Kahoks appeared on their way to a victory in the second quarter. Rule hit two three-pointers, including one that gave Collinsville a 21-13 lead.

But the Lady Warriors kept it close, and a combination of defense, the outside shooting of McMillan and the presence of Cavaness gave Granite City the upper hand in the third quarter.

"We should have been up by more than we were (at half-time)," Harrington said. "We had a chance to pull away and didn't, and they took advantage of it."

"Thankfully, we stepped it up on defense," Willis said. "Defense was going to make a difference in winning or losing this game."

"We just weren't in synch in the first half. We tried to mix it up a little bit. We had good

movement and better shot selection."

McMillan HIT TWO of her four three-pointers in the third quarter, while Cavaness and Grobowski combined to lead the Lady Warriors' inside game. The Lady Kahoks had trouble defending the 6-1 Cavaness throughout the game.

"That's going to happen unless a team just has tremendous quickness," Willis said. "She's a great athlete," Harrington said. "We have a lot of respect for her. My goal was to hold her to 10. The thing about Cavaness is she can hurt you inside and outside."

The Lady Warriors, however, won with balance. Granite City's perimeter game received a boost from McMillan and point guard Nathan Kessel, who scored nine points.

"Denise helped open things up," Willis said.

The Lady Warriors were coming off last week's 63-41 loss to Belleville East. The Lancers ended Granite City's six-game winning streak.

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Staff writer

For weeks, Belleville Area College women's basketball coach Shelly Ethridge has preached to her team about the importance of a 100 percent effort.

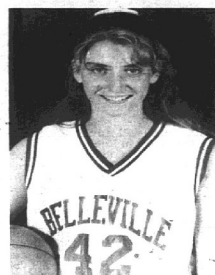
It seems the Dutchwomen have finally gotten the message.

BAC (6-5) ENDED the first-semester portion of its schedule with a 96-67 win over Lewis & Clark on Dec. 11 and a 97-66 win over East Central on Dec. 13.

"The girls realize they should have a better record," Ethridge said. "In the last two games, they've realized how good they can possibly be."

"They worked pretty hard for 40 minutes in both games and we won pretty handily. They're actually kind of upset that we're at semester break. Everything is starting to come together."

BAC's best players in recent games have been sophomores Karen Sykes (Granite City) and Tricia Cox (Paradise, Calif.), and freshman Melanie Sapp



Karen Sykes
18 ppg
(Bluffs)

IN BOTH GAMES. Sykes continued her role as the team's leading scorer. The 1992 GCHS graduate had 20 points against

Lewis and Clark and 26 against East Central

"Karen is averaging 18 points a game and is shooting 55 percent from the field," Ethridge said. "Tricia is averaging 12 points and 10 boards a game."

"Melanie had been coming off the bench, but she's started the last three games. She's averaging nine points and six assists (in those games)."

While Sykes has bolstered BAC's offense, Ethridge is more impressed with the fact the second-year guard has improved in other areas.

"I think it was both our goal that she become more of a complete player, improving her defense and rebounding, and she's done that," Ethridge said.

THE DUTCHWOMEN start the second half of the season Jan. 6 at home against Lewis & Clark. "I'm extremely pleased with the way we ended the first semester," Ethridge said. "The girls seem to have the right attitude. Hopefully they'll come back the same way."

The Horseshoe Sports Bar 50-over softball team recently concluded a successful year. The team, managed by Harold Schwehr, went 50-10 overall and won two league championships, one playoff title and two tournament titles.

The team played in two leagues, Fountain Lake Park in St. Louis and Our Lady of Assumption (OLA) in Fairview Heights. Horseshoe won both league titles with respective records of 19-1 and 17-3. Horseshoe won the OLA playoff title with one win.

Horseshoe participated in tournaments in Columbus, Ind.; Chattanooga, Tenn.; and Kansas City, Mo. In Columbus, Jim Welch led the way to a 4-1 record with a .722 batting average. Bob Mount hit .682, Bill Judge hit .650 and Schwehr hit .636.

At Chattahoochee, Horseshoe played in the Senior Players Association Tournament and qualified for the 1994 senior play-offs in Clearwater, Fla. The top hitters were Mount (.684), Norm Hernandez (.578), Len Suess (.578) and Rich Ritzheimer

Horseshoe won the Heart of America Tournament in Kansas City. The leading hitters were Elvin Rainwater (1,000), Jerry Hanner (.571) and Suess (.500).


The team also won the OLA league tournament, held in July. The team won four games in one day. The top hitters were Rudy Hahn (.867), Judge (.667), Hernandez (.562) and Ritzheimer (.533).

Other team members were Roy Milam, Terry Provow, Ron Litzler, Bill Sieb, Gary Whyte and Gary Rull.

Granite City cheerleading pair awarded

Two sophomore cheerleaders from Granite City High School, Jamie Wallace and Hillary Sanders, recently received the Tour of Champions award from the International Cheerleading Foun-

tion. The girls will be honored with a place in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in Dublin, Ireland in March 1994. They will stay in Dublin for one week, where they will practice their exhibition before the parade.



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parade. Jamie and Hillary were selected after competing among hundreds of high school cheerleaders from around the United States at a week-long camp held in August at East-

Due to the high cost of the trip and the fact the girls will pay their own way, anyone wishing to donate funds for the girls can send contributions to Ireland, P.O. Box 405, Edwardsville, Ill., 62025.

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- 91 Chevrolet Cavalier Convertible, 2 Dr., White, 21,xxx Miles
- 93 Chevrolet Corsica LT, 4 Dr., Quaker Blue, 12,xxx Miles
- 93 Chevrolet Corsica LT, 4 Dr., Mauz Blue, 15,xxx Miles
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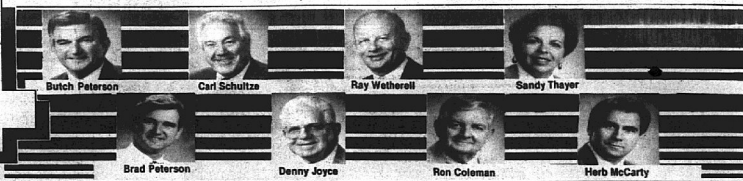
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91 Chev. 1/2 Ton Pick-Up	\$13,995	\$12,995
91 Chev. S-10 Pick-Up	\$6,795	\$6,995
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89 Chevy S-10 Pick-Up	\$6,995	\$6,495
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Christmas messages

Investing in lives of others is important

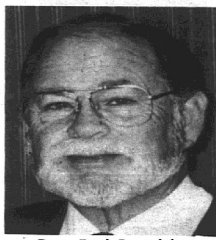
If I were asked the question "What is the meaning of Christmas?" I believe I would have to answer the question from several stages in my life.

I look back to a time when I was a child and it meant the special time of the year when I received gifts as well as giving gifts.

I shined shoes in my father's barber shop and I would save \$1.75 to \$2.50. With this money, I would buy gifts for my whole family.

Then, on Christmas morning, I would come down from the upstairs about 4 a.m. beating my snare drum and letting the family know it's time to get up and see what Santa Claus left for us.

Also, our little neighborhood church always has a Christmas program with the Nativity scene, the shepherds and wise men. This seemed to put things into



Rev. Fred Boatright

perspective. When I was older, being a minister, and married with children, we always made the

effort to make every wish come true for our three daughters when they made their requests from Santa Claus.

My wife and I read the Christmas story together with our children and explained what we believe Christmas to be. The church we pastored had children's programs and Christmas cantatas, so this seemed to put everything in place.

But now, when I look back over 46 years as a married person with three grown daughters and five grandchildren, I think, "What does Christmas really mean to me as a pastor who has served in nine churches over the past 42 years?"

The real meaning of Christmas to me is summed up in two thoughts.

First, the name Immanuel from Luke 1:23, "Behold the

Virgin shall be with child and bear a Son, and they shall call his name Immanuel," which is translated "God With Us."

To me, this means that the Lord Jesus Christ is with me, not just at Christmas time, but every moment of every day.

This promise came true when I trusted Christ as Savior when I was 22 years old.

The second thought comes from Matthew 10:39, "Jesus said, 'He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for my sake shall find it.'"

When one really knows the meaning of Christmas, he will give his life to help and minister to those who are in need.

I believe I have found the true meaning of Christmas by investing my life in the lives of other people.

This column is by the Rev. Fred Boatright, pastor at Calvary Baptist Church in Granite City.

Harper-Shands

Heather M. Harper, daughter of Randall and Patricia Harper of Granite City, and Sonny L. Shands, son of Patti Shands of Granite City, have announced their engagement.

Harper, of Granite City, is a student attending Belleville Area College preparing for her transfer into Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville's School of Education, where she will major in elementary education. She is employed by National Tea Co., Hazelwood, Mo., as a secretary.

Shands is also a student at Belleville Area College, where he is working toward his certification as a firefighter and paramedic. He is employed by Simmons Ambulance, Washington Park, as an emergency medical technician.



Heather Harper and Sonny Shands

The couple is planning a Feb. 26, 1994, wedding.

Thompson-O'Brien

High school sweethearts Karen Elaine Thompson and Shawn Patrick O'Brien were married Sept. 25, 1993, at First United Presbyterian Church in Collinsville by the Rev. Paul Fuesel Jr.

The bride is the daughter of Ernest and Janet Thompson of Collinsville. She graduated from Collinsville High School in 1988 and from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville in 1992 with a bachelor's degree in elementary education.

She is employed as a transfer adjustment clerk at A.G. Edwards and Sons Inc.

The groom is the son of Francis O'Brien Jr. of Granite City and Judith O'Brien of Maryville. He also graduated from CHS in 1988 and is employed as a buyer for Reynolds Aluminum.

Following a reception at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Fairview Heights, the couple took a honeymoon cruise to the Bahamas. They now reside in Collinsville.

Jeanette Crowe Goetter of Collinsville attended her friend as the matron of honor. The bride's sister, Eva Thompson of Collinsville, was the maid of honor.

Bridesmaids were Anne Marie Migneron Caswell and Pamela Hillbrandt, both of Collinsville, and Michele Alkonis Townsend of St. Louis.

Christopher Chartrand of Edwardsville stood with his friend as best man. Groomsmen were William Eason III of Carbondale, Jeffrey Bast of Troy, Ronald Karl of Collinsville and Gregory Townsend of St. Louis. Ushers were Robert Stahlheber, Ronnie Koetter and Ryan Caswell, all of Collinsville, and Matthew Mucklow of Highland.

Amber O'Brien of Maryville and Katie Mucklow of Highland were candlelighters. Susan Mucklow of Highland tended the guest book. Program attendants were Roberta Best of Troy, Tricia Gebhard of Collinsville and Stacey Goodrich of Caseyville.

Susan Crowe of Hollywood Heights was in charge of the recorded music. Scripture readers were Kelly Matter Dubois of Caseyville, Susan Kim and Carol Curtis Malter of Collinsville.

Christmas is a time to open hearts to God

A blessed and holy Christmas to you and your family from all of us here at Holy Family Parish (Holy Family Catholic Church, Granite City).

The real meaning of Christmas is spiritual. It is the Son of God coming into our hearts each year if there is room in our hearts for Him.

This is the problem for many people. It is the busiest time of the year for them. We are working harder, longer hours, shopping, entertaining and just stressed out. So much to be accomplished and so little time left.

What I am convinced we all need to do is to step aside in the quiet of our home, and open up in prayer to the Lord to grasp the real meaning of this feast. Once we do, we begin to sort out just what is important in our

daily lives. We begin to see that it's God's Son, Jesus, coming into our world and our hearts.

It's not Santa. It's not rushing to the mall trying to buy that perfect gift. No, it's taking the time to rediscover that God wants to show us what we mean to Him, so He sends His Son, Jesus, to us.

This is the Gift that the world is hungry for, the Gift that truly matters.

Once we, and I am including myself here, once we grasp this message, this Gift, we begin to share Him with others. His peace, hope and love with others, especially those in need.

For many people, the Christmas season is tension-filled and often depressing, a death of a loved one, a loss of a job, some promotion that didn't

work out as planned, or a child who is not turning out the way they should, etc.

But this is the Gift He tries to offer us each year. This is the room in our heart for Him.

Take the time and open up to Him. Put aside those so-called important things and focus in on prayer.

Once you receive this Gift, you and I can share Him with others.

A blessed and holy Christmas to you and yours.

This column is written by the Rev. Bill Fisher, pastor at Holy Family Parish in Granite City.

Student wins King scholarship

Melanie Diane Denise Hayes, a sophomore in elementary education at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, has been named the winner of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship and Humanitarian Award in the university.

Hayes will be honored at the university's Jan. 11 observance of the birthday of the late Dr. King, at a luncheon in the University Center. She will receive a \$100 cash award, a plaque, and tuition for one semester of full-time undergraduate study.

The award was initiated in 1988 to recognize on an annual basis an SIUE student who is daily living the dream of Dr. King. Applicants for the award were judged on scholarship, demonstrated commitment to humanitarian ideals, and leadership and/or community service.

Hayes, 36, a full-time student with a grade-point average of 3.4 (on the 4.0 scale), and is the mother of six children. She worked as a hospital attendant, developmental assistant and certified medication technician at

St. Louis State Hospital for nine years before returning to school in 1989. Twice she was recognized at the hospital for her outstanding performance as an employee.

Earlier this year, Hayes received the Outstanding Student Leadership Award, and she has been on the dean's list at SIUE. She made Vice-President's Dean's List and the National Dean's List while a student at Harris Stowe College in 1989. The Head Start Program and the St. Louis Public Schools honored Hayes as the Outstanding Parent Volunteer in 1990.

Hayes is active in several campus and community organizations, including the Black Leadership Guild, Black Student Association, Single Parent Support Group, Kimmel Student Leadership Program, United Christian Foundation and the Wellness Program. She is noted for her leadership in past programs that foster diversity and unity through panel discussions, petitions and public speaking engagements to young people.



Old Six Mile members at the mortgage burning are, from left, Sharon Calaway, Georgia Engelke, Kristie Engelke, Sandy Engelke, Elmer Stille, Tomea Kerchoff, Irene Dawes and Jess Warren.

Old Six Mile burns mortgage

A mortgage-burning ceremony was a part of the Christmas open house at Old Six Mile Museum, 3279 Maryville Road, Dec. 12.

The Old Six Mile Historical Society purchased the Zippel farm house in September 1984 and began renovation of the building to house a museum, which was the goal of the society since its inception May 18, 1981.

With a mortgage of \$22,500, the society began fund-raising events, annual dinner dances, yard sales, antique shows and other activities to acquire funds to retire the mortgage and to

continue renovation and operation of the museum.

Through these fund raisers and with many contributions from interested people, the final payment was made. Many Old Six Mile Historical Society members and open house visitors joined to witness the burning of the mortgage and the presentation of the deed to the property.

Elmer Stille, chairman of the building committee at the time the building was purchased and a current board member, presided at the event.

Rotary Anns honor exchange student

Granite City Rotary Anns held their Christmas party at Rizzo's East restaurant Dec. 7. The honored guest was the current Rotary exchange student, Sakimi Gina of Okinawa, Japan.

Miss Gina told the group about her family and life in Japan. President Jane Parkinson presided and gifts were exchanged. Games were played, with prizes won by Judy Stille, Thelma Stess and Jo Ann Terrell.

Also attending were Lois Winter, chairman of the event, and Valerie Stevens, Helen Cook and a guest, Dena Peterson of Virginia.

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Horoscope

Thursday, Dec. 23
There's a decided change of pace as the moon enters Taurus and Saturn receives friendly aspects from Venus and Mercury. This is calming, harmonious energy — it's demanding but friendly. You may find that you get more done by slowing down a bit but moving onward at a steady pace. Tempers are likely to be short, and extra patience will be required to maintain emotional balance.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Downshift into a more deliberate groove, and reap the results. Employment prospects have improved, especially if you're a person of experience. Every dollar counts more than ever. Expect last-minute travel news.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You will be a powerhouse the next two days. Financial gains come from your connection with influential people. The best results come from keeping your eyes on the stars and your feet on the ground.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). If you've been battling with a friend, it's time for a cooling-off period. Take advantage of a chance to venture into a new, upscale social milieu. Financial gratification may be farther down the line.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Keep your business connections stable — people need to know they can find you when you're needed. Your special mix of intuition and charm makes a good impression. It's an excellent day for shopping or baking.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). If you stay aware, you might see new potentials in your job or prepare to go into a new career direction. Give additional thought to maintaining your personal fitness routine. Objectivity is likely to fly out the window.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Dec. 23). Ideals and dreams take shape this month. Love affairs are likely in February, if not sooner. Blend work and pleasure. Plan in March. Make the big career push in April. Ambition, strength, endings and conclusions come in May. A fresh start and outlook are important in June. Vacation in August, or just relax at home. Accent duty and responsibility in September.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). If life seems overwhelming, get back to basics. A business offer may be more golden than you think. Group events should go better than expected. You have the last laugh on someone who may have tried to trick you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Loved ones are vaguely cooperative — until the money topic pops up. An afternoon surprise can mark the beginning of a fortunate turn of events. A spontaneous social occasion becomes a pleasant diversion.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Get an early start so you won't have to continue working way into the evening hours. You are about to reach a milestone in your career. When you come to terms with your life as it is, you'll be in a position to change it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). There's no reason practicalities have to weigh you down — set your mind on keeping everything enjoyable. Additional traveling is in store for you — or an unexpected but delightful visitor will show up.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You are finally able to break the pattern of nagging doubt. People who owe you should be in a better position to pay. Have a productive "meeting of the minds" with your companion tonight. Postpone a project.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Emphasis is on a business partnership that can be as friendly as it is productive for your worldly ambitions. Accept advice tonight, but avoid temptations to overindulge. Entertain thoughts that help you foster equilibrium.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Do something different while your intuition and psychic abilities are heightened. Do what you can to iron out the difficulties between you and your spouse or business partner. The evening looks social and enjoyable.

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'Tis season for syrupy songs

By Bill Beggs
Correspondent

SYRUP SONGS: Sentiment never seems to go out of style. Witness the remake of the chestnut "True Love," the current chart-climbing duet by Elton John and Kiki Dee. In addition, 'tis the season. And love it or tolerate it, millions of families are dusting off The Carpenters' Christmas album once again.

1. Neil Diamond, who trotted out his timeless sideburns and stand-out starched collars in his Christmas special, again, had his last No. 1 hit in *Billboard* with what 1978 duet with Barbra Streisand.

2. One of the most toasty Christmas songs is just that — "The Christmas Song" (Chestnuts Roasting on An Open Fire)." Nat "King" Cole's signature song. Who wrote it?

3. What No. 1 hit from the spring of 1989 has been the only one so far for Bette Midler?

4. Who scored a No. 1 hit in 1968 with "Please Come Home For Christmas," the soulful holiday lament penned by Charles Brown?

5. What No. 1 hit for The Carpenters in the summer of 1970 also would be the group's biggest chart success?

6. What recording star last year released a hugely successful Christmas album mixing songs like "The Old Man Back

In Town" with sentimental favorites like "What Child Is This" and "God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen"?

7. What was the No. 1 song by Atlantic Starr in the spring of 1987?

8. What two artists have had the greatest success with "When A Man Loves A Woman," in 1966 and 1992, respectively?

9. Through the wonder of technology, what No. 14 hit for Natalie Cole in 1991 blended her voice with that of her late father?

10. What group has for years been a soft-rock staple with such syrupy songs as "Even The Nights Are Better" (No. 5, 1982) and "The One That You Love" (No. 1, 1981)?

(Extra credit: What duo hit No. 3 in 1957 with the current Elton John-Kiki Dee hit, "True Love"?)

ANSWERS: 1. "You Don't Bring Me Flowers." 2. "The Velvet Fog." Mel Tormé. 3. "Wind Beneath My Wings." 4. The Eagles (Brown's original version hit No. 76 in 1961). 5. "They Long To Be Close To You." 6. Earth, Wind & Fire. 7. "Beyond The Season." 8. Percy Sledge. No. 1: Michael Bolton. No. 2 (Bette Midler changed the song title's gender and hit No. 35 in 1980). 9. "Unforgettable." 10. Air Supply.

(Extra credit: Bing Crosby and Grace Kelly)

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Funeral services

BRINKER, James, 73, of Granite City, formerly of Overland, Mo., died at 6:45 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 18, 1993, at home. Services were held Tuesday at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City, by the Rev. Bob Jones. Burial was at Valley View Cemetery, Edwardsville.

CHANEY, Sharon L. (Morris), 39, of Troy, formerly of Granite City, was pronounced dead at 5:30 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 19, 1993, at the scene of an automobile accident on Illinois 162 at Lake Drive in Troy. Services were held Wednesday at St. Jerome's Catholic Church, Troy, by the Rev. Dean Probst. Graveside services were held at 10 a.m. today at Frieden's Cemetery, Troy. Arrangements were by Irwin Chapel, Granite City.

COLYOTT, Floyd L., 77, of Eminence, Mo., formerly of Granite City, died Friday, Dec. 10, 1993, in St. James, Mo. Graveside services were held Saturday, Dec. 11, at Muswell Chapel, Eminence, by the Rev. Duane C. Cage. Arrangements were by Duncan Funeral Home, Eminence.

GOODIE, Norman H., 90, of Granite City died at 3:23 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 14, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Services were held Saturday at Clark Avenue Church of Christ, Granite City.

City, by the Rev. Ray Shup. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Arrangements were by Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City. Memorials to Clark Avenue Church of Christ.

KOENEMAN, Virginia R. (Wilhelmy), 81, of Granite City died at 10:35 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 15, 1993, at Collinsville Care Center. Services were held Saturday at Werner Chapel for Funerals, Ponton Beach, by the Rev. Allen Reiter. Burial was at St. John Cemetery, Granite City.

LANE, Gerald C. "Frankie," 44, of St. Louis, formerly of Granite City, California and Louisiana, died Sunday, Dec. 19, 1993, at St. Joseph's Hospital, Kirkwood, Mo. Graveside services were held Tuesday at Union Cemetery, Panama, Ill., by the Rev. William Merrimott. Arrangements were by Hughlin Funeral Home, St. Louis.

MORRIS, Noel V., 70, of Edwardsville, formerly of Granite City, died at 5:55 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11, 1993, at Meadowbrook Nursing Home, Caseyville. He was preceded in death by his father, James Morris. Services were held Wednesday, Dec. 15, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, by the Rev. Jerry Morris. Burial was at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis County.

PHELPS, William Dale, 63, of Granite City died at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 15, 1993, at Barnes Hospital, St. Louis. Services were held Saturday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City, by the Rev. Roy Boyer. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon.

PRICE, Travis Lee, 19, of East St. Louis, a senior student at Granite City High School, died at 1:11 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 19, 1993, at Memorial Hospital, Belleville. Services were held Tuesday at Herr Funeral Home, Collinsville. Burial was at Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery, St. Louis County. Memorials to Muscular Dystrophy.

REINTGES, Paul Daniels, 90, of Hot Springs, Ark., formerly of Granite City, died Tuesday morning, Dec. 21, 1993, at Quailview Nursing Home, Hot Springs. Graveside services were held Wednesday at Oak Grove Cemetery, Jerseyville, by the Rev. Lewis E. Trotter. Arrangements were by Herr Funeral Home, Jerseyville. Memorials to the donor's choice.

SCHMIDT, Shirley A. (Combs), 56, of Granite City died Thursday, Dec. 16, 1993, at Barnes Hospital, St. Louis. Services were held Monday at Werner Chapel for Funerals, Ponton Beach, by the Rev. Robert DeGrand. Burial was at St.

John Cemetery, Granite City. Memorials in the form of Masses are suggested.

STEPHENS, LaVelle E. (Odom), 65, of Madison died at 10:05 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 16, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City. Services were held Monday at Werner Chapel for Funerals, Ponton Beach, by the Rev. Charles Schwenke. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon. Memorials to American Heart Association.

WECKMAN, Richard L., 62, of Collinsville died at 6:10 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City. Services were held Monday at Herr Funeral Home, Collinsville. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon.

YOBBY, Mary M. (Timko), 77, of Granite City died at 6:10 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 19, 1993, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Services were held Wednesday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Granite City, by the Rev. Casimir Kicmal. Burial was at Calvary Cemetery, Glen Carbon. Arrangements were by Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City. Memorials to St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

Tower Lake renovation gets OK

Phase II of the renovation program at Tower Lake Apartments on the campus of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville was approved recently by the SIUE Board of Trustees.

The estimated budget for Phase II is \$1,047,374. The project includes replacement of siding, gutters and down spouts, soffit and fascia covering, windows, sliding glass and aluminum doors, and other items on the building in the single student side of the apartment complex.

The board authorized the work to be undertaken as funds become available. Currently, funds available total approximately \$1.2 million. The Board also approved the continued retention of FGM Inc. of Belleville, to provide architectural and engineering services for the renovation project. FGM was selected to develop the renovation program and to complete plans and specification for Phase I.

Approximately 1,500 students live in Tower Lake Apartments, where there are 424 two-bedroom units and 72 three-bedroom apartments. Construction of the new 500-bed residence hall south of Circle Drive on the former site of the University Police Station was launched with ground breaking on Aug. 25. The estimated completion date is Aug. 13, 1994, in time for the opening of fall semester.

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TO ALL PARTIES CONCERNED

IN THE MATTER OF THE

ESTATE OF JAMES H. BOYER

DECEASED, the undersigned

attorney at law, for and on

behalf of the estate of James

H. Boyer, deceased, do hereby

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day of December, 1993, at

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H. Boyer, deceased, to

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